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# Croatia's Cup: 4-0 vs. Ajax!



iumphant Croatia, after winning its sixth State League Cup, ing Ajax 4-0. Back row: State League chairman Vito Cilauro, mitteeman Steve Mandekic, Ossie Latif, Drago Deankovic Hy obscuredi, Ante Bilaver, Steve Gojevic, Robert McRee, Jozo slovic, Peter Blasby, George Hannah, president Joe Sigur (part-

ly obscured), club official, Bill Beveridge (physio), official, official. Front row: commiteeman Frank Zepacic, Zdravko Jurisic (gear steward), Keith Adams, Tommy Cumming, Josip Biskic, Jeff Faulkner, Marty Bozic, David Brogan, Tony Curcio. Picture by LES SHORROCK.







New Zealand's World Cup progress is as strong as Australia's was before the 1974 finals.

I have just returned from New Zealand, and I bring disturbing news about the strength of the Kiwis' team and the unified front presented by everyone involved in the game there.

Compare New Zealand's prepara-tion with ours and I'm afraid the Kiwis may again make us eat dirt when we clash in the next World Cup qualifying

I saw New Zealand beat Taiwan 2-0 in an Olympic Games qualifying tour-

# JUVENTUS TO BALL

Victorian State League club Juventus will be one of six contestants in the 1933 Gerede Cr. Ball.

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Water 1943 Gerede Cr. Ball.

Water 1945 Gerede Cr. Ball.

Water

ament, with goals by Grant Turner (ex-SM-Hellas) and Alan Boath (ex-West Adelaide Hellas).

The team earlier had beaten Japan in Tokyo, and also had travelled to Fiji for matches.

The Kiwis are treating the Olympic Games series as part of their World Cup preparation, but Australia didn't even both to enter the Olympics.

even 80th to enter the Olympics.

Like Australia in 1971-73, New Zealand has a solld core of very experienced players — Boath, Steve Sumner, Duncan Cole, Grant Turner, Ron Armstrong, Glen Adam, Kelth McKay, Barry Pickering, Frank van Hattum, Ricky Herbert and Billy McClure.

In addition, there are up-and-coming stars like Gerry Evans, 19, a 61t d ins stopper, and Colin Tuaa, a forward.

The team is led by a full-time coach, Alan Jones, assisted by Kevin Fallon and 17 club coaches acting as advisers.

and I7 club coaches acting as advisers.

At the very top, there's federation chairman Charlie Dempsey, who's also head of the Oceania Confederation. He works in football for football, because it is his passion. New Zealand's forward planning is far ahead of ours because Dempsey, a former player, is a real football man and a shrewd administrator.

The media is right behind the World Cup campaign. In fact, the media



Socceroo coach Les Scheinflug (left) and ASF boss Sir Arthur George, looking worried!

gives soccer a much better go than it does in Australia.

John Adshead, the former national coach, is a soccer commentator on radio and TV. Former national captain Brian Turner, as well as former, international Sam Malcomson, North Shore coach Don Jones and Alan Jones himself, write about soccer for

various newspapers — many of which devote a page or more to soccer. The national team is getting more and more arrogant, a super modern national stadium is being built, and TV rights for the New Zealand — Taiwan game were wold, not given away, for a live national telecast.

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# \$1 mil. first prize!

The Poople's Republic of Chine plans to hold a world Soccer tournament in Poking next June with one million (US) dollars for the champion team.

"The tournament is expected to become an annual event," said Marshall Medolf, president of Imico, a Boston-based consulting and marketing firm negotiating for international television rights via satellite from Chine. Medolf said eight teams from world powers, including host Chine, were expected to participate in the inaugural tournament. He said the field could be increased thereafter.

Organisad club teams rather than all-star teams will be sought, with an international panel deciding the eight teams from an original list of about 16.

# Gardiner

By CRAIG MACKENZIE

John Gardiner has learned to cope with bribery accusations and committee interference in his coaching duties. "It's part and parcel of career now," said Gardiner, sacked a fortnight ago as coach of Melbourne Croatia and replaced by Tommy Cumming.

Croatia's committee reac-ted swiftly to news that Gar-diner would accompany arch rival Green Gully Ajax on its end-of-season trip to Nou-mea. But Gardiner's problems

end-of-season trip to Noumea. But Gardiner's problems
at Croatia this season were
far more deep-seated.
"I realised quite a while
back that I was a week-toweek supposition as coach,"
he said.
"There have been all sorts
of allegations flying around
that I was bribed by different
clubs, which is very insulting
and simply not true.
"If I had listened to the
committee this year, they
would have got rid of Peter
Blasby, Ante Bllaver and Dave
Brogan."
Gardiner is the only man to
coach Croatia for a full season
in the 1980's. That was back in
1980. He played with Green
Gully Ajax in 1981 and 1982.
During that time, Croatia won
just one Victorian honor — the
1981 State League Cup — a surprisingly lean period for a club
which won every available
Victorian honor under Gardiner in the late 1870's and
1880.
Gardiner claims he is owed

diner in the late 1970's and 1880.

Gardiner claims he is owed money by Croatia but he won't take legal action against the club.

"Over the year, Croatia has been very good to me. The club honored every commitment to me with the exception of this year. I've enjoyed myself at Croatia and I have a lot of respect for some people at the club.

"And don't forget that I've been back and forward to Croatia a few times now, yet I've never once asked to leave. I had a two-year contract with Croatia back in the 1970's when the club sold me to Hellas, then asked me to come back. The club decided that I was finished when it sold me to Gully in 1981 but asked me to come back. The club decided that I was finished when it sold me to Gully in 1981 but asked me to come back. The club decided that I was finished when it sold me to Gully in 1981 but asked me to come back. The club decided that I was finished when it sold me to Gully in 1981 but asked me to come back. The committee decided re-

Guiy in 1961 out assets into come back and help them this year.

"The committee decided recently that I wasn't successful. That's their prerogative. They hire and fire as they see fit. All I ask is that the committee be

I ask is that the committee be judged in the same way I was. They hired me. If I wasn't successful, what does that say about them?

"I could have had the Gully coaching job this year but I wanted to go back to Croatia, because I've had an enjoyable time there in the past."

Gardiner Is well aware of bribery accusations levelled



John Gardiner



Ossie Latif



**Guy Spiteri** 

against him. When he was with Green Gully Ajax in 1881, he was accused of bribing Croatia players Steve Short and Peter Blasby after Ajax downed its arch rival in a crucial league match. And last year, with Ajax clear on top of the league ladder, Gardiner and Ajax stopper Stuart Canada he per a constant of the league ladder, Gardiner and Ajax stopper Stuart Canada Ajax lest the match, prompting allegations that Croatia had paid Gardiner not to play. Ajax treasurer Arnold Langer even discussed the rumor with Gardiner at the time.

The conspiracy theory climaxed this season when Croatia lost an important league game to Juventus 2-3, after leading 2-0 with 30 minutes left. Croatia striker David Brogan had a groin injury and couldn't play. "Brogan was sore at training on the Friday before the Juventus game. He couldn't do any sprints and had to stop practising penalties. He rang me on the morning of the match and said that he wasn't fit enough to play. Some committeemen started saying, after we lost, that Brogan was faking injury and that I had been bribed by Ajax to throw the game. How the hell could hrow the game? I wasn't playing." Continued p.8

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# Harrington misses penalty, Croatia gets set for final

It is grand final time for Croatia again. One of the most successful clubs in the NSW State League in recent years will enter this championship game as slight favorite - if for no other reason than its experience at this

level.

Almost all who played for Croatia in last year's 2-1 vin over Sutheriand at the Sydney Sports Ground are here again. Steve Watson in goal — one of the best in Australia, let alone in NSW, certainly has contributed to having his side in the grand final.

Andrija Kovacic, Lee Sterrey, Bruno Vidaic and Drago Tomasich are a fast, strong and experienced backline. And while Peter Hensman and Graeme Arnold should prove a handful for any side, it is Croatia's midfield white susually does the damage.

Wally Savor, with eight goals to his credit, Brett Woods with two, Marian Kezowith 4, almost have scored half of the side's total this year. Rezo was the man who sunk Melita in the first semi final two weeks ago.

Appart from their goalsco-

Melita in the first sem insective weeks ago.

Apart from their goalscoring prowess Croatia's mid-field has the speed to counter any side. With Savor on the right and Rezo on the left, Croatia often plays with two orthodox wingers, while

DEVONPORT . . . . 1983 Tesmanian State League North & Northtengue north e north-mest champion. Back (L-R): McKenna, Smith, A. Rimmer, S. Rimmer, Best, Gleeson, Parka, Front (L-R): Sawdon, Rigby, Frame, Abley, Pizzerani, Buchanan.



Woods acts as a destroyer and skilful Marijan Kovacic as playmaker. It is a versatile midfield able to attack and defend.

Who will face Croatia?
Replay of the major semi-final between Sutherland and Melita will give us the answer. In the meantime it is important to note that Croatia would prefer to see Sutherland complete the control of the major semi-final through, rather than Melita. Whichewwing the the properties of the control of th

with ALEX VESIC

In extra time it was Farrugia and McKie who missed chances and Melita will now have to front again, today (Wednesday) in a replay via a replay to play Croatia in the grand final. In the third grade Melita has bowed out of the play-offs after a loss to Canterbury.

#### Melita 1 Sutherland 1

Scorers: Farrugia 13' pen, (1-0), Cashman 56' (1-1) MELITA EAGLES: McPher-

597), Jamieson, Farregia, McKie.
SUTHERLAND: Haynes, Mesford, Terry, Schumann, Scharfagger (sent off 967), Cashman, Harrington, Clinch, Beggs, Groome, 173' Webberl, Medita Eagles had the upper hand during the lirst period and went into an early lead after Mai Haynes fouled Farnsworth inside the penalty area and Ray Farrugia converted the spot kick.
Chances came Melita's way

during this period but alas, as in the game with Croatia, shooting was astray, causing Raul Blanco quite a few head-aches. Last week it was Don Allan who missed opportunities. This time Allan was on the bench but it didn't help. Allan and Gavin came on as substitutes during the second half but by then it was Sutherland that had the upper hand. In the 53rd minute McAusland fouled Nigel Groome and Gary Power awarded the second penalty of the match. Mark Harrington. Sutherland's captain, missed and this time it was John Watkiss who threw up his arms in despair.

However, only a few minutes later Sutherland's

However, only a few minutes later Sutherland scored through Brandt Cashman to put the two sides level

The defences of both sides looked rock solid during the rest of the match, although Melita could claim thi thad a couple of chances late in the second period of extra time but its favorite son, Ray Farrupia, missed.

rugia, missed.

Both sides appeared to suffer from exhaustion, with the temperatures in twenties not helping much. Mark Harrington was visibly distressed, having to put in a great effort for the entire match to counter Melita's fast and effective midfield. In fact almost the entire Sutherland side battled gamely after Scharfegger was sent off in the 95th minute to survive.

Second Grade:

#### Blacktown 1 Manly 0

Scorer: Pearson 32' BLACKTOWN: Freeman, Campbell, Shaw, Purcell, Fal-

zon, Lumsdaine, Pearson, Thorntwaite, Kirwan, Rolles, Wellbourne. MARLY WARRINGAH: Dower, Piud, Vorduin, McGrath, Dennis, Sprott, Jones, Dick, Peter Vale (67' Jurgensi, Paul Vale, van Hel-

Jurgons, Paut Vale, van Holdon.

Two very experienced sides met in this major semi-final to decide who would challenge Sutherland in the grand final Blacktwon boasted Freeman, Pearson, Wellbourne, Kirwan and Lumsdaine, all of whom had first grade experiences, white Manly only had van Helden and Jones with substantial first grade play under their belts.

Accordingly, Blacktown

their belts.

Accordingly, Blacktown won and will now face Sutherlan for the second time in the past two weeks. Last time the two sides met it was an easy one for Sutherland, with the Sharks getting to the grand final with goals by Hargreaves and Rogers.

## Third grade: Canterbury 2

Melita 0

Scorer: Angelis 64', Androcapoulos 87'.
CANTERBURY: Voudgas, Bortolin, Welsh, Fterniests, D'Impera, Nikipoulos, Beddoni, Angelis, Androkopoulos, Baraket, Lubonich.
MELITA EAGLES: Parish, Beacrôft, Hanry, Veron, Williams, Solidasis, Valle, 22' Cenovasel, Luis, Whitesida. Lentini.

(32' Cano voso), Luis, Whitesi-do, Lentini.

A goal after 64 minutes by Angelis then one by Androko-poulos was sufficient to see Canterbury through to the grand final. Only last week Canterbury lost to Croatia 2-3 after an unfortunate own goal by Fierniatis. There were no slip-up's this time and Canterbury cruised home to earn the right to meet Croatia for the second time in two weeks.

The game between the two sides is scheduled for 11.00 am at the Sydney Sports Ground.

Eric Young

rhythm was because I wasn't allowed to play in my best position. Joinly played twice in central midfield, the twist of the control of the contro

**Eric Young** 

# Stefan, Schaefer, Sharne and the Skinheads

# DETTRE COLUMN



#### Who said there was no common sense and propriety in our game?

and propriety in our game?

NSL boss Stefan Kamasz tells us that the last round, on October 23 cactually, Round 14, postponed from earlier), will be played in "Sync." That is: all seven games will start at the same time, on the same desential practice in most countries in order to avoid fiddles, fixes — or outright bending of results which have a bearing on the championship. However, Stefan has one little problem: Both Olympic and St. George are drawn to play at home.

According to their agreement, on such occasions, Olympic uses the ground on Sunday while the Saints can please themselves about Friday Night or Saturday.

But rest assured that this problem will be overcome: This NSL is determined to ensure that the championship title goes to the best — and not the smartest.

Olympic officials tell us that next year, they will have a fulltime, paid, secretary-manager looking after the club's administration.

after the club's administration.
It couldn't come soon enough. For many years — more than
20. anyway — Olympic (nee Pan Hellenic) has had some
pretty shoddy, makeshift managements.
Maybe a fulltime man — the right man, that is — can lick
this dormant giant into shape.
This year alone, Olympic has been involved in a few curious
escapades such as cancelling, without permission, a home
match, the circus surrounding the dismissal of Tommy Docherty and then the most peculiar of them all, when some of
their notoriously asinine fans were actually attacked by a
olaver.

pic found him again.
Those who remember Schaefer from his playing days wish him well.
But let me be a pessimist: I'm prepared to bet 100 drachmas (is that much?) That he won't be at the helm at the end of the 1984 season. Maybe not even at the start of it.
I also forecast that there will be plenty of drama surrounding Peter Sharne in the off season.
He is, as you may know, attached to Leichhardt—on loan from his Hong Kong club.
And he is, I'm sad to say, playing many notches below his best which once made him one of the stars of the Socceroos.
In recent games he's either been replaced or came on as a late sub. And that, considering Leichardt's very modest striking prowess, is an indictment in itself.
So what will happen in the off season? The Hong Kong club had paid Marconi \$50,000 for Sharne — Sale of the Century, you might call it.
Hong Kong will want most of it back if he is transferred to sydney Club—but on the currently depressed market, even a \$10,000 transfer deal will be regarded as sensational.
I doubt, in fact, whether Leichhardt will keep Peter — unless the Hong Kong club drops all claims on him.
Chances are that he may have to return to Hong Kong and find himself a new club willing to pay close to that \$50,000. His current employers—or rather the coach—don't want him.
It's a tragedy, really — but it's possible that Sharne could be lost for soccer completely — and he's only 28.

\*\*A strange sight—and sound—will be your reward if you attend a Sydney City match nowadays.
A group of some 30 or 40 Skhheads park themselves at one end of the ground and turn themselves into City's cheer squad.
Almost all of them British, these young men barrack for

squad.

Almost all of them British, these young men barrack for their team in the time-honoured, traditional English way: unison clapping and little slogans interspersed with some saucy though amusing dittles.

Quite often they represent the only sign of life on the terraces: While the ageing old Hakoah supporters sit in petrified silence, these Skinheads kick enough noise and fuss for all of them.

silence, these Skinheads kick enough noise and fuss for an other.

When the match is over, they usually rush on the field and carry some of the star players off on their collective shoulder, then march into the dressing room to pay vocal tribute to coach Eddie Thomson and his crew.

They are an impressive lot, giving Sydney a tiny taste of the atmosphere of Anfield, Old Trafford and other famed English soccer grounds and crowds.

Some people object to their unorthodox attire, others resent their bawdy sing-songs.

I have only one criticism to make about them.

There aren't enough of them.

# **Home ground for Roma**

AS Roma, already among the favorites for this season's European Champions' Cup, has a big incentive to reach the final; for it will be staged in its own Stadio Olimpico on May 30 next year.

next year.

It was something of a surprise when UEFA announced that its showpiece would be held in the Italian capital, as Rome had been the venue of the 1977 final.

On six occasions to date, one of the Champions' Cup finalists has had the advantage of playing in its own country. Only once has the "home" side failed to lift the trophy — after

the very first competition, when Real Madrid beat Rheims in Paris.
That statistic should increase the already considerable, and justified, confidence of Falcao and Co.
The European Cup Winners Cup final has been set for May 16 in Basle, Switzerland.

- PAUL MOON

# 'World Cup' at Knox

Fifteen "countries" so far have nominated for an interntional tournament to be run at Knox City (Vic) from November 12 to December 3.
They are: Italy, Hungary, Holland, Poland, Malta, Greece, Yugoslavia, Germany, England, Soctland, Ireland, Turkey, South Africa, Australia and a composite South American team. The tournament is for teams representing countries. Players must have been born in the country for which they play, or at least his parents must have been born there.
Les Murray, host of International Sports Magazine and Match of the Day on Channel O, will fly to Melbourne to present the trophies.



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# Walter Pless

Walter Pless

Eric Young won the 1982 Rothmans Gold Medal in Tasmania while with Juventus-Pfoneer. He joined Victorian State Lesgue side, Morwell Falcons, for the 1983 season and I spoke with him while he was in Hobert on a short visit recently.

Q: In retrospect, was your move to Morwell a good move?

It was a good move as far as finding work was concerned, but, as far as the game is concerned, it was a good move as far as finding work was concerned, but, as far as the game is concerned, it was a good move as far as finding work was concerned, but, as far as the game is concerned, but, as far as the game is concerned, but was a good move as far as finding by me, but, the setup is very poor in so far as the coaching side of it went.

There are problems with the team being split up — players living in Morwell. Ifelt that there were a lot of things that could have been improved, but, nothing was done about it and, consequently, I felt every player in the club suffered because of it.

Q: I believe you had some

Q: I believe you had some injury problems?
In my tirst game I did some damage to my achilles tendon but I continued playing on it and when it wasn't getting any better I had four weeks of complete rest. I came back after that and got an infected foot that kept me out for a few more weeks.
Q: What about positional problems?
One of the main reasons why

One of the main reasons why I wasn't able to settle into a

## BRAZILIAN FOR HIRE

Brazilian Ricardo Cordeiro da Rocha, 18, 1.76m and 66kg, wants to

play in Australia.

He has been with S.E. Palmeiras, C.A. Juventus, SC
Corinthians Paulist, Sao Paulo
and Vasco da Gama.

His address is:
Rua Darzan No. 41,
CEP 02004, Santana SP,
Brazil.

We incorrectly reported last week that Billy Vojtek of St. Albans had top-scored in the Victorian Second Division with 14 goals. In fact, he acored 18 goals. – 13 of them from the penalty spot!

# We were wrong

play there. I believe it's too early in my career to go back there, however.

Q: Which teams impressed you in Victoria?

I was impressed with Green Gully and Croatia immediately, but, Green Gully was the team I picked early on to win the league because overall it had the ability and the experience. I think Croatia had the ability and was well-organised but lacked the experience to carry it right through.
Q: How do Tasmanian facilities compare with those in Victoria?

The problem in Hobart is the shortage of grounds. Nobody has got their own ground. But, the grounds that are available offer as much as any Victorian ground. The teams in the north of Tasmania can compete with the best that the Victorian league can offer in terms of facilities.

Q: What are your future plans?

They're up in the air. I could possibly return to Tasmania,

They're up in the air. I could possibly return to Tasmania, but, I could move elsewhere. I wish I knew.

# Scharmann gets \$27,500

# over sack from A

Justice Wootten has ordered APIA Soccer Club to ay its former Austrian star player Johann Scharmann \$27,500 dollars damages for wrongful dismissal.

Meanwhile, Rasic, sacked by SM-Hellas, still is waiting for his case to go to court. He has issued a writ claiming \$64,300.

Mr Justice Wootten said APIA's president, secretary and soccer director all had en-gaged in "deceitful activities" over the signing-on of Schar-

The club also had behaved in a very high-handed manner and tried to "run him out of the country" as soon as pos-sible after his dismissal on

In the Equity Division of the supreme court, Mr Justice Wootten was told Scharmann, an Austrian player of international repute, began playing for APIA early this year.

He signed a two-year con-tract drawn up by the club's president, Nick Papallo, a so-licitor.

The contract stipulated payment of a signing-on fee of \$10,000 a year, \$300 a week and air fares for himself, his wife and son, to Australia and return to Austria.

Scharmann was to be employed as the club's soccer secretary and public relations officer.

The judge said Scharman, 34, gave evidence that these duties were inserted in the contract to provide "an ostensible explanation for what was, in Australian terms, a high remuneration".

I'm afraid we'll see

more and more of our

top players leaving Australia to try their

luck in Europe be-cause they see little

Many see the chance for fame and fortune, others simply want a new challenge.

a new chailenge.

But all are finding it very hard
to predict where Australian
soccer is heading, Clubs are
facing enormous financial problems, the crowds are dwindling
and next season most clubs

ntend to cut wages and signing-on fees.

It's no wonder then that the best young players are seeking greener pastures elsewhere — and their departure will lower the standard of our soccer even



**APIA** president Nick Papallo

was told was "for the im-migration department".

Scharmann signed the docu-ment after protesting that it contained a different com-mencing date and made no ref-erence to the signing-on fee or his duties as soccer secretary his duties as soccer secret and public relations officer

and public relations officer.
Mr Justice Wootten said Mr
Papallo and the club's soccer
secretary, Mr Orsatti, both
had signed documents designed to deceive the immigration department and the secretary, Mr Barbato, and sected
deceitfully towards. Scharmaan over acommodation provided for him and his family.

Mr Barbato had told him the rent of an apartment the club had found for them would be \$130 a week.

When they said this was too much, Mr Barbato made a telephone call and said they could have it for \$115.

The judge said that in fact Mr Barbato held a lease of the premises for \$100 a week. He said an affivadit provided by Mr Barbato to the court included "the quite false statement that the club had paid the sum of \$115 a week to an estate

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agency when, in fact, it had

"The credit of all three (club) witnesses was effecti-vely destroyed," Mr Justice Wootten said.

He added the club's reasons for dismissing Scharmann were that he failed to keep an undertaking given to Mr Pa-pallo that he would refrain from playing cards on club premises, and that he had re-fused to play a match with the club's under-19 team.

The judge said he accepted Scharmann's denial that he had given no such undertaking.

He said there was strong reason for thinking Mr Pagallo was trying to set up sôme excuse for getting rid of Scharmann, who had twice pulled a leg muscle during soccer practice and had missed several competition games.

If Scharmann had on one occasion disobeyed an order by the club's coach, Mr Bottalico, to play with the under-19 team, as permitted under Australian soccer federation rules, it did not necessarily follow that the club was entitled to dismiss him.

The judge fixed damaged for Scharmann at \$27,500, including his wages for the remainder of 1983 and the whole of 1984, and the \$10,000 signing-on fee for 1984.

# Johann Scharmann (right) in action against Heidelberg early this year. From left: Bob Vin

cent. Ian McKie and Sebastian Giampaolo

threats against NSW Federation president Karel Rodny at the height of the recent debate concerning NSL regionalisation, led to his decision last week not to seek re-election.

Former Sydney Olympic president, John Constantine, is tipped to become Rodny's successor.

"You can't gamble with the life of your family," said Rodny.

"I have been abused. I have been told that my house will be blown up, and my family with it."

Constantine will make his bid for the residency at the annual general meeting the NSW Federation in November.

"I feel I have a big contribution to ake," he said.

"NSW represents a 25 percent interest

Constantine refused to be drawn into the recent rift between the NSW federation and the ASF. NSW was the only State to oppose the NSL's regionalisation proposals.

Rodny's departure ends 12 years at the helm of soccer in NSW.

## Dickson to go back home?

Albion Rovers, in response to a telegram from Immigra-tion last Friday, have sent an air ticket to the department to nd Peter Dickson back to

Scotland.

Dickson has been in dispute with Albion for the last two months. His vise expires at the end of this month and Albion refused to renew it.

Dickson was making a last ditch bid to sign with a Hong Kong club as we went to press.

# Wountford to join Adel. City

Newcastle KB United striker Bob Mountford has agreed to terms with Adel-aide City coach Bobby Fer-guson and is expected to join City for the 1984 NSL

"Mountford is happy with our offer and now it is up to the board to decide if it will pro-ceed with the deal," Ferguson

ceed with the deal," Ferguson said.

Mountford will return to England on October 20 to play for Fourth Division club Stockport County and he is prepared to link up with City at the end of the English season.

"Mountford's experience would be invaluable and I'm sure he could work in well with our young strikers," Ferguson said.

Mountford, who formerly was with English First Division club Stoke City, will be released on a free contract when his term with Newcastle expires at the end of the NSL season.

Meanwhile. West Adelaide

Season.
Meanwhile, West Adelaide
Hellas coach Peter Koulizos
has dropped experienced
players Mick Brennan and Bill
Amey for the remaining NSL
matches because he doesn't
plan to retain them in 1984.

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Aggie was out of soccer for quite a while due to injury, then decided to join Avala and has completed his comeback in the most spectacular way possible.

By the way, I had a look at the Rothmans Medal recently. It's made of solid gold, and It's worth about \$5000.

It makes the NSL's Wedgewood Bowl pale into insignificance, but then Wedgewood has withdrawn its sponsorship. Already Alan Davidson, Tommy McCulloch, David Low, Robbie Slater, and Rod Brown have announced they're off at the end of the season for over-seas trials.

What the NSL needs is a best player award as prestigious as the Rothmans Medal.

# Tansey's men a worry

It's amazing what a new face can do. Since Jim Tansey took over as coach of Heidelberg-Alexander, the team won three games and drew two out of the five they had played before last weekend.

last weekend.

It's Sydney Olympic's turn to meet the Bergers on Sunday and they certainly won't be pushovers.

It should be quite a game, but I reckon we'll knock them off.

Detectives want to interview the former Manchester United manager about out-standing payments to his estranged wife Agnes.

A warrant demanding 4,000 pounds in

arrears was issued soon after Docherty ar-rived back in Britain from Australia.

Docherty who is in Derbyshire with Mary Brown and her four children, added: "I admit I'm in arrears and I've done my best to pay. "But I haven't had a chance to earn any-thing since getting back. How can I afford 4,000 pounds."

# BORAL O'CONNOR, BROWN DRAW CL

BORAL

(Wollongong) in-creased his lead over Charlie Yankos (Heidelberg) in the voting for the Boral Bricks \$1500 Player of the Year awards at the weekend, with only two rounds to go.

Doug Brown (SM-Hellas) meanwhile drew one goal clear in the Boral Bricks \$1000 top scorer's award.

John Kosmina (Hakoah), last year's top scorer, is only a goal behind Brown, after having scored in the 3-0 victory over Brisbane Lions.

This week's votes

SOUTH MELBOURNE HELLAS 2 (Brown, Wooddin) MARCONI-FAIRFIELD 1

(Henderson) at Middle Park, crowd about 10,000. Votes by Laurie Schwab:
6. Henderson (Marc), 5. Yzendoorn (Hellas), 4. Laumets (Hellas), 3. Bozanic (Marc), 2. Russell (Hellas), 1. Egan (Hellas), 1.

Egan (Hellas).

BRISBANE CITY 0 WOL-LONGONG 2 (Dunleavy, 0'-Connor) at Spencer Park.
Crowd about 800. Votes by Mark Brigden:
6 O'Connor (W), 5. Liddell (BC), 4. Preston (W), 3. Vilestra (W), 2. Cairney (BC), 1. Ainsworth (W).

WEST ADELAIDE
HELLASI (Brown) SYDNEY
OLYMPIC 0 at Hindmarsh
Stadium. Crowd: 950. Votes by
Frank Pangallo:
6. Dunn (WA), 5. Sproul
(WA), 4. Atsalas (WA), 3.
Meier (SO), 2. Soper (SO), 1.
Heys (WA).

PRESTON MAKEDONIA 2 (McMillan pen., Lucchesi)

FOOTSCRAY JUST 1 (O'Don-nell) at Connor Reserve. Crowd: about 3500. Votes by Peter Desira:

6. McMillan (Mak), 5. Kyriakouleas (JUST), 4. Odza-kov (Mak), 3. Curovic (JUST), 2. O'Donnell (JUST), 1. Opa-sinis (Mak).

CANBERRA ARROWS 2 (Farina, Gibson pen) ADEL-AIDE CITY JUVENTUS 1 (Blair) at Bruce Stadium. Crowd 1032. Votes by Peter Windsor:

6 Farina (C), 5. Ambrosino C), 4 Mullen (AC), 3. Murray C), 2. Blair (AC), 1. Melta

NEWCASTLE KB UNITED 1 (Lowe) ST. GEORGE BUD-APEST 2 (Slater, Wilkinson) at International Sports Centre. Crowd: 3758. Votes by Joe Lanzoni:

Skeen (St.G), 5. Watson (N), 4. Stone (St.G), 3. H. Tre-

APIA-LEICHHARDT 2 (Morsello, Sharne) HEIDEL BERG-ALEXANDER 3

BERG-ALEXANDER 3 (Yan-hos, Valentine, Cole) at Lam-bert Park. Crowd 2500. Votes by Alex Vesic. 6. Olver (H), 5. Tredinnick (APIA), 4. Yankos (H), 3. Bradley (APIA), 2. Carter (A-PIA), 1 Cole (H).

SYDNEY CITY HAKOAH SYDNEY CITY HARDAH 3 (Kosmina, Bøden, Gomez) BRISBANE LIONS 0 at St George Stadium. Crowd about 800. Votes by Knut Werner: 6. Bøden (SC), 5. Watson (SC), 4. Cant (SC), 3. Hunter (BL), 2. Hogg (BL), 1 Wright (BL),

Leaders: 80. O'Connor (W). 75. Yankos (H). 65. Odzakov (Mak). 63. Davidson (SM). 62. Ratcliffe (St. G). 58. Bradley (APIA).

Wright (BL), Hey, WA), Sermani (Marc).
53 Lowe (N),
50. Burke (N), J. Watson (SC), Bryant (C).
49. Jones (Mak).
48. Farina (C).
47. Crino (SM).
46. Greedy (Control of the Control of the 49. Jones (Mak).
48. Farina (C).
47. Crino (SM).
46. Greedy (St.G).
42. Carroll (JUST), Hos-wski (C).
41. Mariani (APIA).

40. Bertogna (APIA), McMillan (Mak), T. Byrne 56 Henderson (Marc)

(C).
39 Vlietstra (W).
38 Tokesi (BC), Honeyman (WA), Patikas (SO), Halford (SM).

(SM).
37. B. Nyskohus (AC), G. Watson (N), Katholos (SO).
36. Hamilton, Wishart (BC), Senkalski (N), R. Stewart (BL), Robertson (SC).

35. Murphy (SM).

34. Perry (BC), Melta (AC), Boland (JUST), G. Campbell (Mak), Hunter (BL). 33. Lucchesi (Mak).

BORAL

We can help you build it.

32. Liddell (BC), Villani (AC), McDowell (JUST), Niven (BL), S. O'Connor (SC), Lea (H).

31. Egan (SM).

30. Flounders (AC), Mason N), Belic (JUST), Gaffney W), Soper (SO), Paterson

Top scorers: 14. Brown (SM).

13. Soper (SO), Kosmina (SC).

12. Bradley (APIA), O'Connor (W).

11. Paton (JUST), Cotton (W), Egan (SM).

(W), Egan (SM)
10 Mullen (AC), Lucchesi
(Mak), Burnell (Mak), Burnell (Mak)
9. Slater, Marton (St. G),
Love (N), Wright (BL), Lea
(H), Ward (Mak), Lea
(H), Ward (Mak), R. Brown
(Marc), Bryant (N), R. Brown
(Marc), Bryant (APIA), Hamilton (BC), Gomez (SC), J.
Campbell (H)

# National League standings

#### Last week's standings in brackets HOME L F A 5 16 21 4 22 16 D L F 4 0 27 WD Gls Pts 43:27 51 (2) Sydney City Hakoah . . . . . 10 5 1 19 41.25 51 4 20 16 42:34 50 3 4 22 18 29 5 15 18 4 24 15 44:31 49 43:24 46 19 13 13 35:32 38 (7) APIA-Leichardt 2 2 10 14 23 42:35 37 (10) 28 5 14 23 33:36 37 10. (13) Canberra Arrows 8 3 3 27 14 11. (9) Footscray J.U.S.T. 6 4 4 16 19 12. (11) Adelaide City Juventus 6 3 6 18 17 18 19 24:38 35 6 12 21 31:43 33 Wollongong . . . . . . . . . . . 1 10 3 18 19 8 22 33 40.54 26 33:58 24 16. (15) Brishane Lions ...... 5 2 6 22 21

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So close is the **NSL** that Makedonia could win the title from fourth place as early as next Sun-

day. Makedonia almost certainly would be the 1983 champion if the three leaders lose this week — Hakoah to Newcastle, St George Budapest to Marconi and SM-Helias to APIA.

Helias to APIA.

Don't laugh. All three matches could go either way. Makedonia, meanwhile, should beat West Adelaide at home this week, and, the way Olympic's been faring lately, Makedonia should beat them as well in the last round. The return of George Todorovski has given Makedonia's team better balance, making the defence a little sounder.

the defence a little sounder, and enabling Peter Ollerton to concentrate on a more offen-

sive role.

Before I move on to the other title contenders, I want to fell you that I'm sick and tired of reading — particularly in Press reports emanaing from Sydney that Makedonia (sorry, Preston, according to the Sydneysiders) is an "unfashionable" team.

What the hell does that mean?

mean?
After SM-Hellas and Olympic, Makedonia draws the biggest crowds in the NSL. How, then, is Makedonia "unfashionable"?

Weekend NSL matches with likely winners in capitals: SUNDAY

Village, 3 pm.
Record: H'berg 6 wins, 1 draw, 4 losses, 19:17 goals. WOLLONGONG v. Brisbane Lions at Wollongong Show

ounds, 3 pm. Record: Brisb Lions 2 wins, 2 draws, 1 loss, 7:4 goals. Brisbane City v. CANBERRA ARROWS at Spencer Park, 3 pm. Record: Canberra 8 wins. 4 draws. 1 loss. 19.4 goals. Newcastle KB United v. Sydney City Hakoah (draw) at International Sports Centre, 3 pm.

Record: Syd C. 10 wins, 1 draw, 0 loss, 26:5 goals.

Reserve, 3 pm.
Record: West Adel 2 wins, 2 draws, 1 loss, 10:4 goals.

HEIDELBERG-ALEXANDER v. Sydney Olympic at Olympic

APIA-Leichhardt v. SOUTH MELBOURNE HELLAS at Lam-ert Park, 3 pm.

Record: Hellas 4 wins, 1 draw, 4 losses, 14:11 goals.

PRESTON MAKEDONIA v. West Adelaide Hellas at Connor

Adelaide City Juventus v. FOOTSCRAY JUST at Olympic orts Field, 2.30 pm. Record. Adel C. 6 wins, 4 draws, 3 losses, 24:16 goals.

St George Budapest v. Marconi-Fairfield (draw) at St George Stadium, 3 pm. Record: Marconi 6 wins, 3 draws, 2 losses, 19:9 goals.

NSL team of the week

OLVER (2)

ODZAKOV (7)

P. TREDINNICK (5) (APIA)

O'CONNOR (7) (Wellengong)

HENDERSON (2)

SKEEN (5)

WATSON (6)

FARINA (4)

## By LAURIE SCHWAB

Hellas, for example, would be on top of the ladder if Hakoah and St George both lose or draw this week. And with Brisbane Lions to play in the last round, Hellas then would have the title wrap-ped up.

ped up.

But if Hakoah and St George
both win, the stage would be
set for a goalscoring context
in the linal round, when Hakoah
meets Canberra at Bruce Stadium and St George classes
with Brisbane City at St
George Stadium. At the
moment the two leaders are
locked on 51 points each, so
goal difference well could
decide the title.

Let's look a little more closely at each of the top matches:

NEWCASTLE v. SYDNEY HAKOAH: Hakoah should NEWCASTLE v. SYDNEY
HAKOAH: Hakoah should
have scored a ton against
Lions last week but had to be
content with only three.
Murray Barnes missed that
game due to a hamstring
strain, but he'll be back this
week, probably at the expense
of Nelio Borges. Newcastle's
Bob Mountford played last
week against St George despite a thigh injury, and he'll be
much fitter this time. Newcastle led St George I-0
before losing I-2, and although
it never has beaten Hakoah,
Newcastle is expected to make
it a close game indeed.
APIA v. SM-HELLAS: Skipper Terry Butler will be back

after suspension to resume his midfield position in the APIA team, which took the lead against Heidelberg last week, but eventually lost 2-3. Paul Carter hit the crossbar in the last minute. Bobby Parkes may be back in APIA's goal. He missed last week's game, and Greg Woodhouse, back after a long absence, looked after injury, but it's odds-on there won't be any changes to the team Doug Brown hit the post last week apart from scoring, but in his haste to win the poscorers' award, he mustaft forget he has other forwards alongside him.

ST GEORGE v. MARCONT: Possibly the tightest game of the round Marcont's midfield.

alongside him.
ST GEORGE v. MARCONI:
Possibly the tightest game of
the round. Marconi's midfield,
apart from Tommy McCulloch, wasn't as good as it could
have been against Hellas last
Sunday, but it should show improvement in Sydney. It will
have to if Marconi hopes
to outdo Peter Stone and Mark
Barton. St George came from
behind to beat Newcastle — a
mammoth task away from
home — but we must remember that last time these teams
met, Marconi scored a demohome — but we must remember that last time these teams met, Marconi scored a demoralising 40 victory, with goals by Jovan Djordjevic (2), Rod Brown and Tommy Sermani. St George fielded its strongest possible side that day!

MAKEDONIA v. WEST AD-ELAIDE. HELLAS: WEST AD-elaide scored its first victory in 15 weeks when it beat Sydney Olympic 1-0 with a goal

by Tim Brown—and Graham Heys had what seemed a perfectly good goal disallowed over offside Butt Makedonia's confidence has been lifted by its first victory in five weeks (2-1 v. JUST), and with George Todorovski back in defence, Makedonia should prove too good on its home ground.

Footscray JUST meanwhile, welcomes Gary McDowell back after suspension, and the daded drive that he provides should ensure a victory over delaide, paving the way for JUST's final match, against APIA the following week. Whatever happens, JUST already has chalked up its best season since the NSL started.

The two Brisbane clubs—

ready has chalked up its best season since the NSI started. The two Brisbane clubs—City and Lions—have collapsed in a heap—especially City—and neither is expected to get much sympathy this week. Phil O'Connor is determined to win the Boral Bricks \$1500 Player of the Year award, and will help down the Lions, while Canberra, led by Terry Byrne, George Christopoulos and Steve Bryant—all excellent players—will be much too good for City.

One of the league's new glamor teams is Heldelberg-Alexander, unbeaten in five matches under Jim Tansey. On Sunday, at the Olympic Cold finish as high as skith by winning its last two games.

On Sunday, at the Olympic Coach Manfred Schaefer left Peter Katholos on the bench against West Adelaide.

Schaefer left Peter Katholos on the bench against West Ad-elaide.

Tansey must be hoping that the same happens on Sunday, for Katholos on a good day, can destroy any team single-handed.



Victorian Metro First Division club Bell Park held its

Victorian Metro First Division club Bell Park held its annual presentation night recently. Pictured above are some of the celebrities who attended.

Back Row: Dave O'Connor (coach), Nigel Daniels (Best Player, Dave O'Connor (coach), Nigel Daniels (Best Player, Daviel) Billy Wilkinson (Best Player), Harry Mills (assistant coach). Front Row: Peter Crawley (deputy chairman, Metro Leegue), John Dimtais (president, VSF), Russell Butler (President's Trophy winner). Picture by LES SHORROCK.

# Vassallo and Brooks tops

Willie Vasaallo last week won Green Gully Ajax's Player of the Yeas award and 1983 Bill Fle-ming Medal winner, Paul Lewis, only could finish fourth.

Vassallo polled 48 votes. David Hogben was runner-up with 41 votes and Peter Lewis

and Jim Williams tied of third with 39 votes. Paul Lewis polled 36 votes. Ringwood Wilhelmina's best and fairest award was won by David Brooks by a staggering 28 votes. Brooks polled 4 votes. Ron Verniers was run-ner-up with 36 votes. Young goalkceper Rick Janssen was third.

# First win

since June 26

\_\_By \_\_ FRANK PANGALLO

#### WA-Hellas 1 Syd. Olympic 0

Scorer: Brown 75 min. At Hindmarsh. Crowd 950. Referee: J. Rossis (SA) 8. Cautions: Raskopolous

WEST ADELAIDE HELLAS: orout 8; McGregor 7; Hiern Dunn 9; Papazoglou 7; salas €, Stematelopolous 7; poneyman 7; Brown 7; Kon-andopolous 7; Heys.

standopolous 7; Hays.

SYDNEY OLYMPIC: Moier
8; Rogers 7; Dakos 7; Jennings 7; Coady 7; Patikas 6;
Raskopolous 7; Phillips 7;
Soper 8; Koussas 7; Patalis 7
(Katholos 78 min).

Just about everybody had forgotten the last time West Adelaide Hellas had won a

You had to go back to June 26 when Wests disposed of Brisbane Lions . . . . 15 rounds

Fill-in coach Peter Koulizos, Alan Vest's successor, was true to his word by giving the club's youngsters a run while the club saw out a dis-appointing season.

Gone are Brennan, Worm-ley, Amey, McGachey and Crook, mainstays of the team for most of the year and all of them disappointing for most of the time they spent on the nitch

In have come the young hopes — Papazoglou, Stamate-lopolous, Konstandopolous, Vahaviolos and Calandaris. All of them inexperienced but obviously players with some abil-

Hellas's administration be-lieves part of the reason the fans have stayed away in droves is that there just haven't been any local heroes with ethnic backgrounds.

But in the first half Olym-pic's skill and attacking flair threatened to overwhelm the young Hellas side.

Olympic managed to get the ball into the net but referee Rossis, on the advice pf a line-sman, correctly disallowed the goal

Hellas had little drive and rarely moved into attack. It's game was negative kick and run stuff with its strikers being put under pressure by unnecessary high balls and thoughtless passing.

But Hellas managed to turn the tables and casual Olympic was punished.

In contrast to the first half, Helias showed more endeav-our. Players fought for every ball and the passing became more direct and effective.

Konstandopolous began to breathe fire up front and looked set to sidestep Meier for an easy goal when the Olympic goalkeeper made a superlative lunge at the stri-ker's feet.

But Meier had no chance of preventing Hellas scoring when a Heys piledriver struck beneath the bar and rebound for Brown to nod in.



Olympic's Terry Patalis (left) gets in this shot despite a desperate attempt to block by West Adelaide's Brendan Hiern. Picture by FRANK HOBBS.

# Newcastle drops out

#### Newcastle 1 St George 2

Scorers: 51st Lowe (N) 58th Slater (St. G), 60th Wilkinson (St. G)

Venue: International Sports Centre.

Referee: Doug Rennie 7. Cautions: Marton, M. O'-

snea.

NEWCASTLE KB UNITED:
Gosling 7, Maier 7, Burke 7,
Watson 8, H. Tredinnick 8,
Lee 7, Senkalski 7, Mason 6,
Jones 6, Lowe 8, Mountford6.

ST GEORGE BUDAPEST:
Greedy 7 — skeen 8, M.
O'Shea 7, Ratcliffe 8, R.
O'Shea 7, Stone 8, Barton 8, J.
O'Shea 7, Stater 7, Wilkinson 7, Marton 7, (90th Petkoski).

Newcastle dropped out of the premiership race when it was defeated by St. George, so ending a gallant attempt to win its first title. In a game of vital importance to both clubs, the local side had most of the play in the first half.

The second half saw New-castle pick up its tempo and in the 49th minute the crowd was

Joe Lanzoni brought to its feet when Joe Senkalski was brought down in the penalty area, but referee Doug Rennie denied the local team a penalty.

Only one minute later Grant Lee was found by a Watson's pass on the right, rounded Robert O'Shea and sent in a great left shot that looked to have 'goal' written all over it but Terry Greedy brilliantly palmed the ball over the bar.

palmed the ball over the bar However, Newcastle was not to be denied for long. Shortly afterwards. Joe Senkalski made ground from the midfield before letting go with a left foot thunderbolt that beat Greedy but struck the underside of the crossbar. The rebound was picked up by David Lowe who despatched it to the back of the net through a crowd of players to the delight of the local fans.

Unfortunately for New-castle that was the signal for

St. George to lift their game, and the best way to do that is to push players forward.

to push players forward.

David Skeen and Mark
Barton kept pushing into areas
were defenders or midfielders
are not usually found, and with
Peter Stone calling the tune in
the midfield, St George looked
menacing.

Newcastle looked to have control of the situation until a terrible comedy of errors in the defence presented the un-marked Robbie Slater with the ball. He calmly put it past Gos-ling for the equaliser.

Newcastle had not quite re-covered from the shock when they found themselves behind only two minutes after the equaliser.

Paul Wilkinson who Paul Wilkinson who was having a quite game up to that point picked up the ball in the midfield, made ground, took aim, and from 25 metres let go with a ground shot that beat

Gosling.

Nobody suffered from lack of support more than David Lowe who took on the well-drilled St. George defence almost single handed, but in the end St George deserved the win, with a better drilled comhiation and a little more commitment than the local side.

# Todorovski back, and now Flavell

# Foots JUST 1

Scorers: 1-0 McMillan pen 17m, 1-1 O'Donnell 37m, 2-1

17m, 1-1 O'Donnell 37m, 2-1
Lucchesi 68m.
Ground: Coman Reserve
Attandancs: 3500 estimate
Referese: E. Venios 7
Cautions: O'Donnell,
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Lucokesi 6, Odzakov 8;
McMillan 8, Ollerton 7, LivLucchesi 6, Odzakov 8;
McMillan 8, Ollerton 7, LivLucchesi 6, Odzakov 8;
McMillan 8, Ollerton 7, LivLucchesi 6, Odzakov 8;
McMillan 8, Clarovic 8,
Tutili 7, Kyriakouleas 8, Hazabent 7, Taylor 6, Belic 6, O'Donnell 8; Carroll 6, Paton 6,
Lujic 6, Coach: Bobby
McLaghlan.
Gordon Flavell will on

Donnell 8; Carroll 6, Paton 6, Lujic 6. Coach: Bobby McLaghlan.

Gordon Flavell will on Sunday come straight back into Makedonia's side after serving a two-week suspension and should buoy the midfield enough to ensure a victory over West Adelaide which will keep alive the club's title hopes for one more week.

But while Flavell's tenacity will help a midfield which at times looked all at sea against J.U.S.T. here are still too many holes to be plugged both in defence and up front to seriously consider Makedonia as a title contender alongside Sydney Hakoah, St George, and SM-Fladicoach Peter Ol-Romer Carlot of the seriously consider Makedonia as title contender alongside Sydney Hakoah, St George, and SM-Fladicoach Peter Ol-Romer Carlot of the seriously consider Makedonia Concept for the contender alongside Sydney Hakoah, St George, and SM-Fladicoach Peter Ol-Romer Carlot of the second o

its first points in five

up its first point weeks.
Odzakov won the usual share of midfield battles but was forced to hang on to the ball for too long, with no-en making forward runs and more often than not ended up taking on one man too many and losing the ball.



Peter Desira

Opasinas, allotted the marking job on Zdravko Lujic, at times gave the winger too much room but was prepared to come forward and take risks and in the end it was he who set up the winner with a long through pass for McMillan in the 68th minute. McMillan was forced to the byline but managed to cut the ball back for Lucchesi to blast it home off the underside of the bar and notch his first goal in 11 weeks.

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Prior to that J.U.S.T. had the better scoring opportunities and should have had the

the better scoring opportunities and should have had the game settled beyond recall. Joe Carroll missed the eastern control of the settled beyond recall and the settled beyond recall the settled beyond recall the settled beyond the settled b

zakov shot and the goal was disallowed. Ollerton claimed the ball "was never over the line" but referee Evan Venios made up for the ruling seven minutes later awarding a penalty for a check on McMillan in what can at best be called a harsh deci-tion.

sion. McMillan, in his anxious hurried way, took a very poor penalty kick and Dennis Boland got a hand to it but could not stop it going in.

J.U.S.T. drew level in the 37th minute with a goal that exposed all Makedonia's deficiences at the back.

exposed all Makedonia's defi-ciences at the back.

The ball was worked down the right wing and then turned into the centre via three play-ers, and Brian O'Donnell could hardly believe the time and space he was given to shoot past Wilson.

In the second half Jamie

Paton and Ken Taylor both had shots saved and Carroll had that glaring miss before Make-donia scored the winner.

that glaring miss before Makedonia scored the winner. From then on — urged in no mean manner by the officials sitting on the bench — Makedonia pulled men back and got the shakes every time J.U.S.T. come forward but they did create one scoring chance which forced Boland into the save of the match. Inevitably it was Odzakov who set it up placing a pin-point free kick on McMillan's head but the keeper reacted by the proposities of the proposities of

#### Wilson to Raith

Former Dundee and Cow-denbeath full back Bobby Wilson has been appointed manager of Raith Rovers who recently last Gordon Wallace when he went as a coach to Dundee United

#### Nicholas jinx

Charlie Nicholas has hit a jinx period. Carryling an ankle injury with Arsenal which forced him out before half time against Notts County he had to cry off from the Scotland side which played Uruguay in a friendly. To up things of Charlie's new car was badfy smashed up when he was involved in a three-car accident.



# Great Cole goal wins it

## APIA 2 Heid. Alex 3

Ground: Lambert Park Crowd: 2,500 (approx.) Referee: Ken Small 7 Yellow cards: Arno Ber-

togna Goals: 28' Morsello (1-0), 38' Yankos (1-1), 57' Valen-tine (1-2), 64' Sharne (2-2), 67' Cole (2-3).

APIA: Woodhouse 5, Carter 7, Bertogna 6, Mariani 6, Brown 6, Gray 5, Tredinnick 7, Morsello 6, Bradley 7, Valeri 6 (De Ceglie 60' – 5), Sharne 6.

HEIDELBERG: Olver 8, McKie 6, Yankos 7, Spanos 5, McLeod 6, Valentine 6, Sele-midis 5, Campbell 6, Lea 5 (Tansey 71'), Paterson 6, Cole 7.

Heidelberg collected three hard earned points at Lambert Park after one of the most disappointing matches seen in Sydney. In fairness to players of both sides it should be said that it would have been better to play at the local council park than at



Lambert Park with the sur-face contributing to ill direct-ed passes and some horrible ball control.

Walter Valeri provided Tony Morsello with an ideal opening for Morsello to slot home a low drive in the 28th minute and give APIA the lead. Following that goal it looked as if the home side would coast home, but it wasn't to looked as if the home side would coast home, but it wasn't to be. Charlie Yankos, the Australian sweeper, hit a 30 metre free kick past Woodhouse some 10 minutes later to make it 1-1 and from then on the result was always hard to predict.

Ian Gray handled just out-side his penalty area soon after the restart which provid-

ed Mike Valentine with an op-portunity. He took it with superb judgment, floating it past Woodhouse and off the post into the net to give Heidel-berg the lead.

However, only minutes later, it was Peter Tredinnick in with a chance from the edge of the area. His shot was well saved by Olver but the ball fell to the feet of Sharne who prodded it back into the net for the equaliser.

Heidelberg hit back with the best goal of the match with Gary Cole rising high to meet a well placed cross from Jim Campbell to head past Wood-house.

APIA came back in the closing stages and Paul Carter hit the crossbar in the last minute of the match but Hei-

minute of the match but Hei-delberg managed to survive and take the points home. It was during this period that Heidelberg showed some strong resistance through the displays by Jeff Olver and Yankos, while up front, Cole failed to score from a couple of good openings.

# **Eddie Thomson confident of title win**

#### Sydney City 3 Bris. Lions 0

Scorers: Kosmina 20th, oden 55th, Gomez 84th. Venue: St George Stadium. Crowd: about 800. Referee: Wilkinson 7.

SYDNEY CITY: Pezzano 6 — Mullen 6, O'Connor 6 (Borges H.T. 6), Robertson 6, Cant 7 — Watson 7, Kay 6, Gomez 6 — Boden 7, Kosmina

BRISBANE LIONS: Beves 5 - McSkimming 5, Vesquez 5, Hunter 6, Niven 5 - Stewart 5, Hogg 6, Vincent 4 -Wright 6, Daunt 5, Anderson

Sydney City coach Eddie Thomson was undecided whether to laugh or cry after his team scored a convincing 3-0 win over Brisbane Lions at St. George Stadium.

#### Bv. Knut Werner

again but we should have treb-led the score," he said.

Sydney City was trailing St George on goal difference before the match but now holds a slender advantage after St George beat New-castle in Newcastle. The goal difference is the same but City has scored more goals.

At least a dozen chances were missed by the Sydney City forwards with Nello Borges and Gerardo Gomez off target on four occasions in the last 10 minutes.

Brisbane Lions swung into attack in the opening minute with striker Calvin Daunt lofting the ball over the bar from 10 metres with the Sydney City defence on the wrong foot.

It was to be the only occa-sion where the Lions managed to get close enough to worry Slickers' goalkeeper Tony Pez-

The Slickers launched a series of raids and grabbed the first goal from a free kick after Roddy Vasquez tripped Paul Kay. Joe Watson flighted the ball into the goal area and John Kosmina rose high to glance it over the hands of Lions' keeper Brett Beves.

The second half belonged to Sydney City which bombarded the Lions' backline throughout the entire session.

Ken Boden, in the 55th min-ute, angled into the penalty area and swerved a 15 metre drive into the net for the second goal.

Kosmina, Gomez and Borges were given plentiful opportunities through the dis-tribution of Kay and crosses from both wings but did not succeed in adding to the score until six minutes before full-time

Watson floated a corner into the penalty spot, giving the un-

past the 'keeper.

"Our chances of winning the competition are now better and we only need win the last two games," said Thomson.

"I knew at half time we had the game won but I was disappointed at the lost scoring opportunities because we needed the goals."

Thomson was forced into a last minute change in his line-up when he omitted team captain Murray Barnes, who was suffering from a slight hamstring strain. Brisbane Lions coach Simon Kistemaker said his team had played well in the first half but could not match the ex-perience of the opposition in the second session.

"This is a young team for the future as eight of the players are under 20 years of age and what we need is a mid-fielder to slow the game down and make better use of our

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New Zealand's squad will be strengthened further for the World Cup by the return of Wynton Rufer, whose brilliant play with FC Zurich has made him a big hit with the Swiss ladies.

# Kiwis fly high, Roos grounded

Compare what's hap-pening in NZ with what's happening here at home.

The ASF is talking about reverting, after eight years, to a part-time national coach. Its planned four-nation tournament fell apart at the

seams.

It banned visits by a Greek,
a Portuguese and a Brazilian
team — all of which would
have given our players valuable International experience.
Nothing is so far planned
after the Merlion Cup tournament in Singapore.

ment in Singapore.
We had two national coaches
this year.

this year.

And in 1984 we're supposed to have a part-time coach!

I was a part-time national coach from 1971 to 1974 and the clubs for which I worked during that time — St. George, Marconi and Pan Hellenic — had to make enormous sacrices in order to enable me to fulfill my national team dutes. Luckly we managed to win three grand finals during that time.

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I selected about 98 per cent of my players from NSW and in doing so I probably overlooked many from other States. For that I am sorry, but my club commitments prevented me from spending sufficient times to evaluate those other players.

"If it hadn't been for the players, I'd have left a long time ago. It takes a lot to put up with what I've put up with this year."

With Brogan unable to play against Juventus, tall striker Richie McClunie played — an-other sore point with some Croatia committeemen.

"I was told after the Juventus match that I wasn't even allowed to put McClunie on the bench. I told the committee to go to hell. I'd be the judge of where McClunie was nlaving."

judge of where incomments and playing."
Gardiner bought only two mew players this year — McClunie from Morwell Falcons and George Hannah from Hellas, Gardiner was confident his team could do well without too much new blood. He rejected Bobby Toni, who then was signed from Sunshine-George Cross by Green Gully Ajax.

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Gully Ajax.

"I told the committee that
bringing in a lot of new players
would only cause problems.
It's okay if you're talking
about buying established players, but some of the committee that of the
committee than the ones
"I didn't beliane to the

we had....
'I didn't believe too much in
big, strong strikers before, but
playing with Gus Macleod at
Gully kind of changed my outlook on the game. I realised
that it was good to have the op-

tion, if you ever were under pressure, of knocking a long, high ball forward. "I knew that we'd pin teams

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let's forget this crazy n of having a part-time notion of naving a part-time national coach.

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— who must also be a qualified
— who must also be a qualified
attended to the service of the servic

coached a club side.

Sure, most of the 1983
national youth team players
came from the Institute of
Sport where Shoulder coaches,
but then the Institute invites
the best youth players from
throughout Australia. By European standards, however,
the Institute is only an advanced soccer camp. Such institutes should produce coaches, not players.
The people at the top In Autalian
soccer seem to be

tralian soccer seem to be living in the past. They face the choice of making soccer

more professional or turning it completely amateur. The way they're going, they'll probably do the latter.

#### Irresponsible

A newspaper columnist in Sydney wrote that my name was connected with Sydney Olympic even before Tommy Docherty left. It was rather strange, as I wasn't even in NSW at the time, and if I were a candidate. The Doc would have been the first to know — directly from the horse's mouth.

I feel insurant.

mouth.

I feel journalism becomes irresponsible when you write such things without checking. The same writer supported the notion of having a partime national coach, yet the writer himself was a full-time coach of both Canberra and St George

#### Rudi in Japan

Rudi Gutendorf has fallen on his feel again. Since leaving Australia, he's bobbed up in Africa, in Nepal and in Fiji. Now he's landed a plumb job as coach of Yomluri in Japan.

His first recruit was striker Steve Paterson of Sydney Olympic, and he's currently in West Germany signing up goalkeeper Simovic, ex-Haj-duk.

# EN-STARTO

# SM-Hellas 2

Marconi 1 als: 1-0 Brown 64th erson 66th, 2-1 Wo

68th.
Venue: Middle Park.
Crowd: about 10,000.
Referee: Chris Bambridge 8.
Cautions: Bozenic, Djordje.
vic (Marc), Brown (Hellas).
SOUTH MELBOURNE HELLAS: Laumets 8 - Russell.
Blair 7, Vzendoorn 9, Davidson
7 - Helford 6, Crine 9,
Murphy 7 - Egan 8, Brown 6,
Wooddin 7, Coach: Len
McKendry.
MABCONLEAUBELED.

MARCONI-FAIRFIELD: MARCONI-FAIRFIELD: James 8 — Djordjevic 8, Hen-derson 10, Budini 8, Bozanic 8 — Carbone 7 (Licata 83rd), Sermani 7, McCulloch 8, Hunter 7, Winn 6, Jankovics 6. Coach: Doug Collins.

"Soccer Action" doesn't "Soccer Action" doesn't act, the only one I remember this year is for Zarko Odakov's performance in a 4-0 victory by Makedonia over Brisbane City — but Tony Henderson certainly deserved it last Sunday.

And Hellas's sweeper, John Yzendoorn, wasn't far behind.

Henderson has been in good form all season, and he no doubt will make a strong big for a place in the national team for the Merlion Cup in Singapore in December.



#### Laurie Schwab

Charlie Egan and Doug Brown
— the most deadly attacking
partnership in the NSL. When
Brown finally did break
through for a goal, thanks to
lead-up play by Egan and
Steve Wooddin, Henderson
moved forward and promptly
scored the equaliser.

And it was only a scrambly goal that broke the Marconi defence for the decisive goal. A header by Yzendoorn was blocked on the line, it fell to Wooddin and he slammed it home in the melee.

For the rest of the time, Henderson's defenders were quite inspirational — espe-cially left back Vic Bazonic, but also Jovan Djordjevic and Ricky Budini.

But of course, they had to be Helias had more of the play, and it came up with the best moves of the game, be-cause of the flair of Oscar Crino, Brown, Wooddin and Fean.

Marconi's attack was sub-dued by Yzendoorn and Bobby Russell in particular. Steve Winn never threatened the gan. Marconi's attack was

goal and Mark Jankovics came close only once — when he dashed in on the loose ball after Peter Laumets had par-ried a shot by Tommy Serman-in Laumets smothered Janko-vics' attempt however.

In midfield, Crino was tops for Hellas, and Tommy McCul-loch for Marconi.

loch for Marconi.

But while the game had moments of class and excitement, it also had a couple of long, disappointing flat spots — particularly in the latter part of the first half. There were times when both teams did nothing but boot the ball aimlessly into the air, resulting in much aerial pingpong.

Certainly it was estimatible like

Certainly it was nothing like that 4-3 elimination final of 1980.

But to Hellas's credit, the players maintained a high level of discipline throughout the game, confident in the belief that a result would come if only they kept plugging away.

The result is on the board now — and as a result, Hellas may win the championship as early as next Sunday (see pre-

early as next Sunday (see pre-view, page 5).
Hellas opened brightly against Marconi, in front of a 10,000 crowd, with Brown hit-ting the post with an angled drive.
James foiled Brown in the

sixth minute after lead-up play by Crino and Egan, and in the 14th minute, Brown tried one of the most ambitious scoring

shots I've seen. He was running through the midfield with
the ball and suddenly launched
a shot from more than 30 metres. But there was method in
his madness. He had seen goalkeeper James way off his line
and, indeed, the goalkeeper
still was rushing back as
Brown's shot went not all that
far above the bar.
Henderson deader from a Djordjevic
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After a long period of inactivity, the game came alive again in the 58th minute. Carl Halford, who had a quiet game, had a shot deflected, and the ball rebounced to Ken Murphy who, however, shot wide.

The McCulloch launched a long shot, past Steve Blair, and Laumets only blocked it as he pounced to save. With Marconi players moving in Lamets pounced again, and this time took control.

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Hellas hit the lead stylishly in the 84th minute. Wooddin, who was having a hard time against Djordjevic, got a pass forward to Egan, who laid it back quickly to Brown, and "The Bomber" belted it first-time past James.

Henderson headed the equaliser from a corner by lan Hunter, who gave Alan Davidson, a few problems, but Wooddin's winner followed only two minutes later.

How close however, did Marconi come to equalising yet again!

Winn would have been the hero, but his angled low shot was turned away for a corner by the tips of Laumets' fingernails. Winn threatened again with a shot on the turn in the 82nd minute, but again Laumets saved.

## Wollongong's

## good run ..... continues

MARK BRIGDEN

#### Wollongong 2 **Brisbane City 0**

Scorers: Dunleavy, O'Con-

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Venue: Spencer Park.
Crowd: approx 800.
Cautions: R. Cotton (W),
Tokesi (BC), Liddell (BC).
Referee: Dave Nugent 8.
BRISBANE CITY: Wishart
6, Kowtan 6, Wilkinson 7,
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Tokesi 6, Cairney 8, Falco 7,
WOLLONGONG: Preston 8,
Willis 7, Kerr 6, Dunleavy 7,
Vilestra 8, Ainsworth 8, Dummett 6, Muhlbauer 6, Cotton 7,
Gaffnay 7, O'Connor 8.
Brisbane City cosch Jim

Gaffney 7, O'Connor 8.

Brisbane City coach Jim
Hermiston gambled on youth
and lost for the second consecutive week as his team
went down 2-0 to the revitalised Wollongong at Spencer

The absence of experienced players like Bobby Hamilton, Billy Williamson and Frank Pimblett, has left the City team a shadow of that which led the league earlier this year and presented Wollongong with few problems in its bid to lengthen it is unbeaten run to five games.

The first goal came in the ninth minute when Chris Dunleavy rose unchallenged at the far post to head in a Phil O'Connor corner. Brisbane City pushed forward in search of the equaliser but left itself exposed at the back four minutes later when Peter Tokesi attempted a back pass under pressure. The nimble O'Connor or pounced and although Wishart blocked his first shot he had no trouble scoring off the rebound.

Brisbane City, which tended to rely too much on the long ball for the flying Palco, final by created a good opportunity of the control of the c



ollongong coach Willie Wallace (right) shakes hands with his team's goalscorer ast Brisbane City, Roy Cotton (left) and Phil O'Connor. Picture by CARLOS PICAS-

# History made in dull fashion

Canberra 2 Adel. City 1

oals: Gibson (pen), Farin ): Blair (AC).

Young 7, Murray 8, Byrne 7, Ambrosino 7; Christopoulos 7, Stone 7, Gibson 7; Brennan 7 (Redmond 30th) 7, Farina 8,

Ref: Glyn Davies, Canberra. Crowd: 1,032 Cautions: Murray (yellow

Canberra achieved a history-making eighth home win and three vital points to shoot three places higher on the league ladder with a 2-1 victory over Adelaide City in Canberra on Sunday.

But the game was a poor spectacle — dour, uncompromising, unexciting.

It took a 76th minute pen-alty to break the deadlock and give Canberra the vital three

And it was a win Canberra deserved. Despite a reshuffle caused by a tragic training injury to Steve Bryant only 48 hours before the game which ended his involvement in the remainder of the season (he broke an ankle), Canberra generaly was the more pur-poseful and aggressive.

Too often, unfortunately, the game fell away to be territorial with precious few genuine attempts on goal from either set of forwards.

Canberra started superbly and applied all of the early pressure. And it should have been a goal up within a matter of minutes.

Young striker Frank Farina burst into a one-to-one situation but blasted straight into the hands of Adelaide City's goalkeeper, Wilie McNally.

Then came the luli and a brief rekindling when again Farina burst clear and this time beat McNally with his shot. However, fullback Glen Dods was on the spot to clear what would have been a participation. certain goal.

At the other end, Adelaide City was easily contained by

Peter Windsor

The 26th minute saw the ame spring back to life with a em of a goal by Farina.

Scots twosome, Don MacLaren and Gibson, combined brilliantly on the right flank and it was Gibson who derfly chipped into the centre. The ball was but knee high at best from the ground when Faria dived to meet it with his head to send it hurtling into the back of the net from 16 metres out.

Such was the pace of the header that McNally stood as if anchored to the ground. He could have done nothing to prevent the goal.

Minutes later fullback Am-borsino chimed into Canberra's attack and his through ball was placed just inches over the bar by fellow defender, Terry Byrne.

Again the game fell away. Just sixty seconds after the turn-round Adelaide City was back on level terms.

Canberra's defence was caught hopelessly undecided and when a ball found Stewart Blair unmarked, he rammed it home with the ball first hitting the crossbar before bouncing over the goal-line.

Again the game fell away. Precious few attempts that tested either goalkeeper could legitimately be counted.

Canberra didn't look like getting an equaliser, until MacLaren was blatantly ob-structed in the penalty area. Canberra referee Glyn Davies gave the penalty kick which Gibson converted.

And that was that.

# A game never to be rated highly and perhaps best summed up by Canberra's coach Atti Abonyi with these words: "A poor game — but

high ball forward.

"I knew that we'd pin teams inside their defensive half for most of the season and I wanted a big man inside the opposition box. I went for Graham French at first. I thought we could improve high game, get him interested again, and he could improve the team's performance. Juventus initially let him go.

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he decided to stay with them. I heard that Alex Marshall's contract with Polonia was up, so I decided to try to sign him. He's got plenty of skill, can be a bit lazy at times, but I thought we could do things with him. But it needed up with Croatis and Polonia trying to outbid each other for his signature. I don't like that. I say you offer the player terms and rihe doesn't accept them, then the's ambitious and wants to play with a team that's got chance of winning things then he'll sign. But Marshall signed with the sambitious and wants to chance of winning things then he'll sign. But Marshall signed with the sambitious and wants to chance of winning things then he'll sign. But Marshall signed with the sign. But Marshall signed with the sign. But Marshall signed with each with the sign but he'd proven that he could score goals in State League playing with lesser teams. He was a great back-up to the strikers we already had and he was a bargain buy Unfortunately, for Richie, we had and he was a bargain buy Unfortunately. For Richie, we had Latif, Cdimming and Brogan all scoring goals, so in spite of the barrowload of goals he got in the reserves, he never really got a chance.

"With Brogan out of the Luventus game, I brought McClunie in. Now, comparing his game in that match with Graham French's, I'd say that McClunie had the better game. He worked very hard to get into one-to-one situations, although he never got past his man. But the committee and the supporters started saying that McClunie wasn't good enough, They all forgot about the goals he scored against

the goals he scored against them for Hakoah and Mor-

well."

Ossie Latif became disenchanted with Croatia in the second half of this season. Once Brogan hit top form, Latif found it hard to get a regular game. The Brogan-Cumming parternship up front was powering Croatia toward

though Green Gully Ajax pipped Croatia by a point for the championship, Croatia was the highest scoring team in State League this year. Gardiner was accused of driving Latif away from the club.

"People have to realise that Latif is young. He's still learning the game. Just because he can hit a ball hard doesn't mean that he should be in the team every week. But he was one of the players the committee bought while I was with Gully, so there was pressure on me to play him."

Gardiner thinks that Croatia easily could have survived in

easily could have survived in the 1984 NSL with its present squad. He feels though that there will be many changes made to the team next season and the work he has done on the players this year will be

ea. wish Croatia well in its

wasted.

"I wish Croatia well in its new league. I hope that the club is successful, but I think too many new players will be brought into the side and a lot will depend on who's coaching them next year."

When Gardiner was approached by Green Gully Ajax and invited on its end-of-season trip, he knew that if he decided to accept, he'd merely be fuelling the conspiracy flames already engulfing him. His decision to go on the trip was a personal one, based on friendships he has with players at Ajax which transcends their soccer interestst.

"This trip is after the Dockerty Cup fland, when my commitments with Croatla were due to finish. My Irlends are my own business. It's a private matter which has nothing at all to do with sees "Feed". Recent personal contracts a coaching Croatia, didn't help his cause.

ago that its coach, Josip Kuze, would be coaching Melbourne Croatia next year, and Heidel-berg president Sam Goulo-poulos expressed interest in having Gardiner as coach in

having Gardiner as coach in 1984.
The crunch probably came when Ajax president Guy Spi-teri allegedly told some VSF board members that he'd wel-come Gardiner back with open arms. Spiteri's alleged com-ments carried quickly to the ears of Croatia com-mitteemen.

mitteemen.

Now everyone wants to know what Gardiner will be doing in 1984.

doing in 1984.

"I've had an approach from one club but that's my business right now. I'm not saying which club. I'm free as a player and I'm free as a coach. I'd only play in the National League if I could get through the pre-season training alright and even then, only under a coach who could be of benefit to me."

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After Gardiner was appointed coach of Croatia this year het ried, unsuccessfully, to be ried, unsuccessfully, to be released from Ajax to play with Croatia. In the end, Gardiner decided to play in the lower leagues. He joined Hamlyn Rangers in the Metropolitan Fourth Division, winning that club's best and fairest award and its best first year player award. Such honors aren't new. Gardiner won the Victorian Rothmans medal in 1971 and 1972, and the Bill Fleming medal in 1972.

Should he return to Ajax mext year, it would be a major coup for the State League champion, Ajax sold Gardiner to Hamlyn for \$3,000. Gardiner's contract with Hamlyn has a clause stipulating that at the end of this season, he'll be a free player.

Now that's what I call whee-

# L-STARS OF 1983







Garry Bennett



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Team of the Year. Players have been selec-ted solely on the basis of votes cast in our Ameteo Travel Player of the Year award. In the case of a tie for any position, we have used our own judgement.

KEOGH (Doveton)

11 - Tom Costello (Albion) 8 - Lou Denys (Ajax)

Our 1982 Team of the Year was:

Bill Whiteside (Morwell) — Gary Cutier (Albion), Stefan Mila (Polonia), Paul Drinoczky (Frankston City), David Neil (Morwell) – Dave Nixon (Northcote), Joe Trant (Wilhelmine), Graham Tutill (Frankston City) Stan Webster (Doveton), Joe Carroll (Wilhelmina), Kenny Smart (Albion).

21- Chris **KALIFATIDIS** (Hellas)

- 19 Stefan Mila (Pol) 14 David Brooks (R. Wilh)

15 - Frank **MACLEOD** (Albion)

- 13 George Bozikis (North) 12 Donald Brownlie (B. Hill)

30 - Harry HIRD (Juventus)

- 13 Gary Hobson (Croy) 11 Chris Taylor (S.G. Cross)

(Croatia) 9 - Andrew Zinni (Juve) 8 - Pedro Ramos (B. Hill)

19 - Josip

BISKIC

19 - Peter

19 - Ian Roodhouse (B. Hill) 13 - Rick Lipiarski (Pol)

**LEWIS** 

(Ajax)

35 - Steve MOORE (Northcote)

- 15 Jim MacLean (Morw)
- 13 Kevin Lloyd (Juve)

16 - Gerry BENNETT (S.G. Cross)

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20 - Ian **TUFFIELD** (Fawkner)

14 - Peter Verechie (B. Hill) - Dave Brogan (Creatia)

29 - Tommy CUMMING (Croatia)

15 - Paul Lewis (Ajax) 9 - Bobby McGuinness (Marw)

# STEVE WATSON

(Croatia)

**JOHNLEMBRYK** (Avala)

KEITH SCHUMANN (Sutherland)

JOHN BERTRAM (Kuringai)

DRAGO **TOMASICH** (Croatia)

MARK **HARRINGTON** (Sutherland)

MARIAN KOVACIC (Croatia)

BILLY **GRIFFITHS** (Melita)

MIKE **McLAUGHLIN** (Blacktown)

NICK THEODORAKOPOULOS (Canterbury)

**JOHN MCKIE** (Melita)

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ALEX **MCPHERSON** (Melita)

BRETT WOODS (Croatia)

**VIC DALFORNO** (Sutherland)

**BRUNO VIDAIC** (Coatia)

**MICKY CROSS** (Melita)

PETER **FALCONER** (Manly)

HENJEK SOBCZYK (Polonia) RAY FARRUGIA (Melita)

> GRAHAME ARNOLD (Croatia)

**WALLY SAVOR** (Croatia)

> **CLIVE EATON** (Kuringai)

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# NSW

By ALEX VESIC

Many a coach, manager or mere spectator had an opportunity to pick his own side in the past

Oh, it's easy, dead easy, just to sit down and pick 11 players you feel are deserving of your choice. But I've attempted instead to find the best "team" in the NSW State League.

I must wern that this is not intended to be a team of best players. It is a team of players I believe would function as a side and best all before them in the State League.

To select a side which can function well involves a certain amount of risk. To pick a goalkeeper of the year would be quite easy for it would be a choice between Alex McPherson of Melita or Steve Watson of Croatia. Barry Hoare or Peter Freeman of Blacktown as well as Mai Haynes of Sutherland and Peter Ahrens of Avalla had some fine names. Just Alex and Steve, having conceded games, but Alex and Steve, having conceded only 11 goals each all year must surely be way in front.

Billy Griffiths of Melits, Nick Theodoratopoules of Canterbury and John Bartram of Kuringai are also among those who would fit into the side to best 'em all.

Billy Griffiths for his value in not only giving Melits an edge over its apparents in the State League, Nick Theodomicopoulos for winning the top scorer award at the age of 18, and John Bortem of Nuringal (en-Anburn), for outstanding performances in defence this year.







**Keith Schumann** 





# Victorian Press awards



accepts his award from Laurie Schwab, representing "Soccer Ac-

# It's Roos or **England** for Lewis

By CRAIG MACKENZIE

Paul Lewis capped a memorable season in the Victorian State League with Green Gully Ajax by winning the 1983 Bill Fleming Medal but national coach Les Scheinflug may have the final say in this exciting youngster's

"I'm hoping to play for Australia in the Merlion tournament in Singapore later this year I warched Australia playing England in Melbourne earlier this year and J watched Strikers Phil O'Connor and John Kosmina I know that I can do the job and I know that I can score goals. It's not that hard to score in a good team", said Lewis.

I'l Lewis isn't selected in the Socceroo squad to contest the Merlion Trophy, he'll go ahead with a planned trip to the U.K. He's due to leave on November 14.

He'll probably train with

14.
He'll probably train with English Fourth Division club Chester, close to where he'll be staying, Lewis, 22, comes from a small town just outside Chester. He signed schoolboy forms with Liverpool as a 14 year-old but served his appren-

ticeship with Chester before

ticeship with Chester before signing professional forms. Former Ajax manager-coach, Bobby McLachlan, now coaching Fostcray JUST, brought Lewis to Ajax in 1881. Lewis to poscored in State League last year with 23 goals. He again topped the scorers list this season, scoring 31. If he's not selected in the Socceroo squad, he may be lost to Australian soccer. He'll serlously consider any offers to turn professional in England although he hasn't been sounded out by any clubs yet. Lewis is yet to talk to Ajax about signing a new contract for next year when the progressive club expects to be to the NSL. He li have talks the Ajax before going to the UK. but it for the the NSL in the season was a season when the progressive club expects to be to the NSL. He li have talks that it is the season was a season when the progressive club expects to be to the NSL. He li have talks that it is the season was a season was



Bill Fleming Medal win-er, Paul Lewis of Ajax.

remining Medal It's a tremendous mark of recognition
from the Soccer Press and it
heips people to take notice of
you, which can't be bad for any
player," he said.

The Bill Fleming Medal,
anmed in recognition of the
work of former 'Argus journaians branch of the Australian
Soccer Press Association. A
panel of journalists, appointed
by the VSF which sponsors the
medal, votes on a 6-5-43-21
basis, a couple of hours before
the presentation night, to
select the bess and overseas Club
in Windsor again hosted the
medal presentation. An innovation was the presence of
women at this year's awards
night, finally ending the sexist
reactive of males only.

However, another discriminatory practice — the

women at this year's awards right, finally ending the sexist practice of males only. However, another discriminatory practice — the loyal toast — still is in operation Now, I'm not at odds with supporters of the English monarchy. I just want to point out that this is a multicultural country, best exemplified by the soccer sub-culture. There were Italians, Greeks, Greeks,

Victorian Soccer Press ation awards voting: BILL FLEMING

MEDAL

Berger Charlie Yankos reckons t

Victoria's best NSL player he's received after an outsi national team level.

national team level.

"I've been really happy with the way things have gone for me this year and this honor is reward for my efforts;" said Yankos, Heidelberg Alexander's no-nonsense sweeper.

"Actually, I honestly never expected to win the award. While it really means a hell of a lot to me, the full significance of it hasn't sunk in yet. Being named Victoria's NSE player of the year has made me even more confident in my playing ability".



ceroo defender Charlie Yankos voted Victoria's National Leagu

# metco voting, top scorers Azzopardi, Matt McDonald, Richard Miranda 2 — Brian Keenan, Pedro Ramos, Andy Hughes 1 — Ray Taylor, Alan McKen-na, John Gabrielson, Donald Brownlie

CROATIA

- Tommy Cumming
- Josip Biskic
- David Brogan
- Steve Gojevic, Keith

Adams Parton

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3 — Tony Curcio 1 — Steve Gojevic Own goals: Paul Corke (Dove-ton), Jim Kalambokis (Hellas)

CROYDON CITY

VOTES:
13 — Gary Hobson
10 — Paul Wade
8 — Jimmy Rooney, Mike
Rainey, Ian Dobson
7 — Joe Sweeney, Steve

Marley 6 — Steve McCombe, Steve

Irvine 4 — Gus Macleod 3 — Terry Nolan, Mark Brown 2 — Peter Loughnane, Lou

VOTES:

Adams

pleted a unique double with North-cote this year. He was the highest votegetter in our Ametco State League Player of the Year award and by scoring nine goals in league games he also is Northcote's leading goals

What makes Moore's feat when we were more remarkable is that he started the season in mid-field but Northote coach Tony Vrzina was forced, through mijury to stopper John Creany, to switch Moore to sweeper with George Bozikis taking over Creany's duties. State League leading scorer, Paul Lewis, finished third highest votegetter among Green Gully Ajax players while Tommy Cumming, second highest polling Croatia player, finished runner-up to David Brogan in his club's scorers' list. Northote's Bozikis drunner-up to David Brogan in his club's scorers' list. Northote's Bozikis drunner-up to David getter of the season, Bozikis scored against his own team three times, once more than McCluskey. scorer.

## **GREEN GULLY AJAX**

VOTES: 9 — Peter Lewis 3 — Jim Williams 6 — Paul Lewis 2 — Steve Short

David Hogben Lou Denys

- Willie Vassallo - David Smallman - Bobby Toal - Stuart Cannell, Peter

Boyle
GOALS:
31 — Paul Lewis
18 — David Smallman
7 — Bobby Toal
2 — Stuart Cannell, Peter
Lewis, David Hogben
1 — Jim Williams, Peter
Boyle, Willie Vassallo
Own goals' Mark Petree (Hellas), George Bozikis (Northcoto)

## **ALBION ROVERS**

VOTES:

— Frank MacLeod

15 — Frank Mac-11 — Tom Costello 9 — Brian Galea, Gerry Reilly 7 — Dean Hennessy, Bennie Mick

7 — Dean Hennessy, Bennie Ferrie 5 — Keiron Coyle, Mick D'Sylva 4 — Kenny Smart 3 — Peter Dickson 2 — Ron McIvor GOALS: 4 — Peter Dickson 3 — Eddie Gray, Bennie Fer-rie, Mick D'Sylva 1 — Keiron Coyle, Alan Ben-nett, Gerry Reilly

#### BOX HILL

VOTES:
- Ian Roodhouse
- Peter Verechia, Richard Miranda

nda Donald Brownlie

Pedro Ramos Andy Hughes John McKinlay Ray Taylor - Matt McDonald, Paul

Priestley
GOALS:
9 — Peter Verechia
4 — Paul Priestley
3 — Donovan Lawler, David

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Kastner Country Nolan
7 — Faul Wade, Joe Sweeney
6 — Gus Macledo
4 — Peter Loughnane
2 — Steve Irvine, Ian Dobson,
Ian Loughnane
1 — Steve McCombe, Mike
Rainey, Mark Brown
Own goal: George Bozikis
(Northcote)

## DOVETON

VOTES:
8 — Sean Keogh
2 — Peter Thurlow
— John Dowie, Stan Webster
— Graham Watson
— Paul Corke, Mark Lennon
— Paul Corke, Mark Lennon
— Ron McIvor, Andy Millar
— Ernie Mgrrick, Ian Stirno, Greg McLeod
GOALS:
John Dowie, Stan Webster.

6 — John Dowie, Stan Webster, Ian Stirton 4 — Peter Thurlow, Mark

— Billy Buchanan — Paul Brabbin, Colin Bar-

#### FAWKNER

VOTES:
20 — Ian Tuffield
2 — Ceatre Pattore
8 — Bruno Cozzella
6 — Mel Anselma
4 — Joe Palinkas
3 — Jim Kondarios
2 — Serge Sabbadini
1 & Andy Bozikas, Tony
Schipano, Bruno Sabidussi,
Rajhp Petrocelli
GOALS:
10 — Bruno Cozzella
6 — Bruno Sabidussi
5 — Ian Tuffield
4 — Joe Palinkas, Mel Anselma

Tony Schipano, Carlo Sabi-

dussi 1 — John Sannipoli, Andy Bozi-kas, Jim Kondarios, Michael Own goal: Andy Millar (Dove-ton)

## HELLAS

VOTES: 21 — Chris Kalifatidis 5 — Chris Bekiaris, Peter Var-daxis

is Angie Postecoglou, Manny

4 — Angie Posteroga., Anezakis 3 — Mark Perree, Vlado Bozi-novski, Jimmy Armstrong 2 — Mark Turudia, John Kane-

soulis GOALS: - Chris Bekiaris

10 — Chris Bekiaris
4 — Jim Kalambokis
2 — Vlado Bozinovski
1 — Pepe Abraam, Jim Bitsonis, John Yzendoorn, Duncan
Cummings, Branko Buljevic,
Steve Kakantonis, John Kanesoulis

## JUVENTUS

VOTES:

VOTES:
30 — Harry Hird
17 — Fabio Incantalupo
13 — Kevin Lloyd
10 — Pat Bannon
9 — Andrew Zinni
8 — Vince Bannon
6 — Billy Rogers, Ged Bannon
4 — Graham French
3 — Paul Drinoczky, Jim
Nelson
1 — Rob Cullen
600418:

1 — Rob Cullen
GOALS:
9 — Andrew Zinni, Fabio Incantalupo
8 — Graham French
5 — Kevin Lloyd
4 — Pat Bannon, Ged Bannon,
Rob Culler

4 — Pat Bannon, Ged Bannon, Rob Cullen 3 — Jim Nelson 2 — Kevin Swinscoe, Paul Dri-noczky, Billy Rogers Own goals: Tony Schipano (Fawkner), Danny McCluskey (Polonia); Frank Bezzina (Morwell)

## **MORWELL FALCONS**

WUNVELL 1

VOTES:

5 — Jim MacLean

12 — Eric Young

11 — Harry Bingham

3 — Bobby McGuinness

3 — Bobby McGuinness

5 — John O'Callaghan

7 — Jim Train

5 — Noel Mittent

1 — Sandy Irvine, Billy Whiteside, Alun Evans

60ALS:

14 — McGuinness

4 — Jim MacLean, Alun Evans

2 — John O'Callaghan

1 — Tony van Baar, Harry
Bingham, Noel Mitten

Own goal: George Bozikis

(Northcote)

# NORTHCOTE CITY

VOTES:
5 — Steve Moore
3 — George Bozikis
— Colin Quigley
— Mark Wilson
— John Creany
— Branko Culina
— Spiro Tsetsos
— John Gainnopoulos

1 — John Gainnopoulos
GOALS:
9 — Steve Moore
7 — Jim Sahinidis
5 — Spiro Tsetsos
2 — Branko Culina, Peter Constantinou, Colin Quigley,
George Boziff Gorman, Arthur
Patiniotis, Mark Wilson
Patiniotis, Mark Wilson

POLONIA

VOTES: 9 — Stefan Mila 3 — Rick Lipiarski — George Petrov — Danny McCluskey — Andrew Czapnik — Peter Czapnik, Alex Mar-hall

4 — Peter Czapnik, Alex Marshall
3 — Joe Tront
2 — Leszek Dzielakówski, Mirek Smolarek
1 — Brendan Lakic, Janusz Przypia, Adam Dachs
2 — Alex Marshall
11 — Janusz Przybyla
5 — Tadik Krysinski
3 — George Petrov
1 — Danny McCluskey, Peter Czapnik, Marian Jaworski, Andrew Czapnik
Own goals: Eddie Pena (Wilhelmina), Lou Denys (Ajax), Kyle Patterson (Box Hill)

#### SUNSHINE-GEORGE CROSS

VOTES: 16 — Gerry Bennett 11 — Chris Taylor

Roger Bain
Carl Gilder
Steve Richardson
Jim O'Reilly
Steve Scerri, Mick McGo-

ian

— John Stevenson, Norrie

Pate 1 — John Campelj

1 — John Ca.

GOALS:
11 — Norrie Pate
10 — Carl Gilder
4 — Gerry Bennett, Roger

4 — Gerry Bain 3 — Mick McGorian 2 — John Stevenson, Steve 2 — John Stevenson, Steve Richardson 1 — Steve Ellis, Hugh McCann, Dave Rigby, Chris Taylor, Steve Scerri Own goals: Danny McCluskey (Polonia), Cesare Fattore (Fawkner), Tiziano Cavallari (Fawkner)

## WILHELMINA

VOTES: -David Brooks - David Brooks - Kenny Stewart - David Cork, Rick Janssen. ve Gibson

Nick van Egmond, Stuart ee — Neil Garvey — Graham Haupt GOALS: <sup>F</sup>

GOALS: 7

- Kenny Stewart, \_\_\_\_\_

5 - Neil Garvey

3 - Brian Thom

2 - Craig Whye

1 - Joe Tront, Guy Bakker,
Barry Burton, David Brooks,
John Nyholt, Eddie Pena

Own goal: Steve Gadsby
(Doveton)

voting

VICTORIAN NSL
PLAYER OF YEAR
45. Chartle Yankos (H'berg).
40. Zarko Odzakov (Makedonia
15. Alan Davidson (Heliaa)
11. Oscar Crino (Heliaa)
12. Oscar Crino (Heliaa)
13. Gary McDowell (JUST)
14. Card Helford (Helian)
15. Brian O'Donnell (JUST), Deric (H'berg).

BEST

BEST UNDER 21

PLAYER

PLAYER

40. Con Opusinis (Makedonia).
23. Andrew Zimi (Juventus).
17. Sulsiman Curovic (JUST),
Fabio Incantalupo (Juventus).
10. Chris Beklaris (Hellas).
4. Ian McKie (H'berg), Oscar
Crino (Hellas), David Hogben (Ajax).



Preston Makedonia's Con Opasinis (left) being presented with the Victorian Under-21 Player of the Year award by Con Nikolopoulos, on behalf of Australian Soccer Weekly.



Some former Fleming Medal winners pase with 1983 winner Paul Lewis, Back row: Peta (Hellas, 1974), Frank Micio (J.U.S.T., 1973), John Garrliner (George Cross, 1972), Frant r Tommy Cumming (Creatie, 1976, 1979), Billy Vojtek (Juventus, 1975).

t winning the award for inforces the recognition ding season at club and

so that Yankos is short of conence. His displays in a green and
strip against the might of Engdearlier this year stamped him as
sustralian international of no mean
ture.
When you play for your country its
irely different to playing at clus
el Even though we had quality
yers playing for Australia, you've
to really concentrate for the full 90
utes against the likes of Trevor
mics and Sammy Lee.
Tim boping to be play for
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gapened as een or etsoon, proving
to club level. Heidelberg has
a disappointing year! It got fit to
stârt, then hit a serious slump
th caused a coaching reshuffle,
I Tansey replacing Kenny Mortou
ut six weeks ago. Since then the
has undergone a revival and
kos is enjoying his game again.
We all got together when Jimmy
sey and Gary Cole took over and
spoke about the National Cup semid coming up soon against Hellas
realised that if we wanted success
year, then the Cup was our last
nec. The best we can finish in the
us is sixth.
Right now, this is the best I've
Heidelberg play as a team and

nee he best we can hinsi in the use is sixth. Right now, this is the best I've I Heidelberg play as a team and been at the club for four or five S. We had some great seasons or Len McKendry and he's a really set coach. But he used to really get k into us if we did things wrong. re's not that same pressure now. ye got a bit more freedom and re not so stereotyped.

I really think that we'll win the It doesn't matter where either is on the league ladder when we Hellas. It's always going to be a he game but I'm confident that I beat them."

# etails

Mike Petersen (H'berg), Steve

: (Croatia).
iike Valentine (H'berg), Con
(South Oakleigh), John
son (Box Hill).

COACH OF THE

COACH OF THE YEAR

43. Peter Ollerton (Makedonia).
37. Bobby McLachlan (JUST).
28. Len McKendry (Ajax).
28. Len Mrary (Box Hill).
5. John Gardiner (Creatia), Manos Illios (Varaville).
4. Takis Svingos (Port Melbours).
2. Danny McMinimes (Prince).

ines). 1. David Smallman (Ajax).

1. David Smallman (Ajax).

REFEREE OF THE
YEAR
46. Chris Bambridge
32. Sam Zoumas
30. Jim Fearn
16. Stewart Mellings
5. Dennis Voutsinas
3. Evan Venios.



What a 36th birthday present for Chris abridge, seen holding his trophy for the 13 Referee of the Year, the fourth time



is (Ajax, winner in 1982), Jim Armstrong Iim Pyrgolios (Hellas, 1971), Paul Lewis



1970 seorge Blues APIA Leichhardt

1974 Mike Trebilcock Western Suburbs

1978 Terry Butler APIA Leichbardt



1975 John McDonald Sutberland Shire



1972

1976 Bruce Pan Hellenic

1980



1973



1981



1982 34 points

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Rothmans

Medal

Kirwan (Black), A. Robertson (Ku), N. Theodorakopoulos (Cant), E. J. Andreou (Cant), T. Bertram (Ku), W. Brown (Bank), D. Duarte (Mel), S. Knight (Ku), D. Laing (Cant), J. Quijley (Aub), T. Smith (Man), L. Sterry (Cro), A. Tracey (Pol), B. Willcox (Mon), G. Vujinovic (Av).

(Av). 5. C. Antonopoulos (Cant), (Mon). J. Clarke

Rothmans

24. A. Muniz (Avala)
23. N. Groome (Suth)
21. R. Wheatley (Black)
19. G. Arnold (Cro)
17. A. Bourke (Banks), A. alas (Pol), M. Kovacic (Cro). 16. P. Ahrens (Av), S. Regan (Ku), R. Farrugia

16. P. Ahrens (Av.), S. Regan (Ku), R. Farrugia (Mei), IS. C. Eaton (Ku), A. Reis (Mon), S. Selvage (Black), IS. R. Carney (Aub), T. Rassmussen (Black), B. Woods (Cro), I2. I. Barker (Pol), II. J. Basterfield (Cant), M. Cross (Mel), W. Griffiths (Mel), R. KGinn (Mel), R. Sturt (Man), IS. Sturt (Man), IS. Santolin (Av.), J. Santolin (Mon)

Harrington (Suth), H. nos-seini (AV), J. Santolin (Mon). 9. C. Casertari (Man), A. McPherson (Mel), A. Scott (Man), J. Stoddart (Black), G. Vieri (Mon). 8. B. Cashman (Suth), A. El-Zein (Cant), Z. Garlowski (Pol), J. McKie (Mel), S. Giffin (Banks) 7. D. Allen (Mel), B. Doyle (Man), M. Haynes (Cro), P.

(Av),

5. C. Antonopoulos (Cant),
G. Curcic (Mon), J. Clarke,
(Yug), V. DalForno (Suth),
D. Kevern (Ku), C. Ortega
(Pol), B. Vidaic (Cro.).
4. P. Berry (Yug), S. Blackburn (Banks), M. Barton
(Av), P. Daley (Mel), W.
Farnsworth (Mel), R.
Geekie (Pol), P. Hensman
(Cro), D. Jack (Man), J.
Lembryk (Av), T. Mihajlovic (Yug), W. Parke
(Banks), B. Walker (Black),
J. R. Allen (Aub), D.
Brown (Av), D. Curtis (Ku),
R. Cartizo (Cro), R. Campanella (Bank), S. Clinch
(Suth), R. Colbertaldo
(Mon), S. Delle (Rev. M.
Cartizo (Cro), R. Campanella (Bank), S. Clinch
(Mon), G. Johnston (Suth),
G. Knowles (Suth), B. Karamfilovski (Av), M. Kelly
(Aub), H. Kowalcryk (Pol),
J. Larkin (Black), C.
McAusland (Mel), S. Meneos
(Suth), G. Noblee
(Man), C.
O'Neill (Bank), D. Rezo

(Cro), A. Roberts (Aub), C. Rootsey (Bank), C. Rogers (Suth), M. Sillens (Bank), A. Scarfegger (Suth), K. Smith (Pol), H. Silva (Cro), B. Thornthwaite (Black), C. Townson (Aub), B. Vassiliou (Cant).

Thornttwaite (Black), C. Townson (Aub), B. Vassiliou (Cant)
2. M. Berry (Ku), S. Davidson (Ku), M. Francis
(Mon), R. Gogic (Yu), aN. Hunter (Ku), C. Hall (Cant), B. Hoare (Black), M. Berford (Suth), R. Lasek (Pol), S. Leak (Ku), M. McLaughlin (Black), M. Rendell (Yu), K. Schumann (Suth), D. Thomas (Pol), E. Tomasic (Yug), J. Webber (Suth), G. Watkins (Suth), A. Williamson (Man),
1. R. Agastino (Banks), P. Brogan (Black), R. Baumgartner (Yug), G. Ferandez (Av), B. Johnston (Suth), J. Karacan (Yug), G. Ferandez (Av), B. Johnston (Suth), J. Karacan (Yug), G. Fermandez (Av), B. Johnston (Suth), J. Karacan (Yug), G. Fery (Suth), J. L. Zivkovic (Yug).

(Yug)

SUSPENDED PLAYERS
POLLING POINTS

J. Binos (Cant), A. Brock-bank, (Ku), A. Charles
(Mon.), Davies (Blacks), X.
FCOURT, Mann, S. Bindtis,
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FCOURT, Mann, S. Bindtis,
FCOURT, J. Kilkely, (Aub.), G. Kilgel,
G. Banks), G. Laws (Cant),
C. Leith (Mon), R. McKeagon
(Ku), D. McKenzie (Ar.), D.
McIntish (Vug), A. Monterosso (Mon), S. Plananie
(Aub), C. Pointer (Black),
W. Savor (Cro), T. Steven
(Man), S. Tanoski (Yug), C.
Thamnides (Cant), M. Turkoglu (Yug), W. Turnbull
(Black)

# Medallist Muniz preaches skill

Avala midfielder. won this year's Roth-mans Medal as the best and fairest player in the NSW State League.

It was a tight finish, with Muniz winning by a single point from Nigel Groome of Sutherland and three points from Robert Wheatley of Blacktown. A further two points away was Graeme Arnold of Croatia.

was Graeme Arnold of Croatia.

Counting for the best and fairest had Anton Galas of Polonia ahead of the rest of the field after six rounds, with Alan Reis of Inter Monaro a close second and Marian Rovacic of Croatia in third place.

However, Muniz picked up 11 points in the next six rounds to join Galas as equal leader on 14 points, and surged forward from there.

"I am surprised", said Muniz after receiving his award from the Minister for Sport and Recreation, Michael Cleary. "I didn't give my eldown of the monary of the Minister for Sport and Recreation, Michael Cleary. "I didn't give my eldown of the Minister for Sport and Recreation, Michael and Minister for the Sport and Recreation of the Minister for the Sport and Sport Minister for the Braryl Eaton, master of ceremonies, attempted to coax Muniz into a few words but "thank you all" was the sum total that came from the Brazilian-born player. An Australian representative 36 times, and a former star of Adelaide City and Sydney City Muniz always evident while his temper was unusually "cool"

By ALEX VESIC



• From left: Sports Minister Michael Cleary, Avala officials Cirnanic and Velickovic, Coach Branko Krstic and Muniz.

for a South-American born

for a South-American born player.

"There is a difference between Brazil and some other countries in South America. Brazil has the best record, not only in winning World Cups and Coppa Libertadores (S o u t h A m er i c a n Championships), but also in fair play." he said. "To concentrate on skill and less over enthusiastic play would lift the game in this State and all over enthusiastic play would lift the game in this State and all over enthusiastic play would lift the game in this One of the said certainly contribute to attendances. I have always tried to do the unexpected, which confuses the opponent and lifts the enthusiasm among spectators. I also try to avoid fights — there is no place for unusual roughness in the game," added our shy winner.



Avala's Agenor Muniz with the Rothmans Medal. Pic-tures by D. Velickovic.

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Agenor Muniz, fifth from the left, with the Avala team.

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# McDonald, Rooney hold records

NSW Rothmans Medal Statistics:
Record score: John Lee
(Bankstown), 36 points, 1979.
Biggest winning margin:
John Stoddart, 9 points clear,
1982.
Most successful clubs: A.

John Stoddart, 9 points clear, 1982.
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P.I.A. Leichhardt and Sutherland Shire, 2 wins each.
Most consistently placed player since. Inception: John McDonald (Auburn and Sutherland Shire) who won the Medal in 1973 and 1975 and 1976 and 1978 and 1978 and 1978 and 1978 and 1979.
Lowest winning score: 19 points in 1974 when Mike Tre-bilcock (Western Suburbs) and Allan Maher (Sutherland Shire) tied. Trebilcock won on a countback of first preference votes.

Most appearances in top six points seorers: Jimmy Rooney (S.F.C. Prague and A.P.I.A. Leichhardt) 5 times (1971 eq 4th, 1972 eq 3rd, 1973 eq 4th 1974 6th, 1975 eq 3rd).

Only dual Medal winners: John Watkiss 1972 with Hakoah Eastern Süburbs and 1977 with Sutherland Shire, and John McDonald 1973 (Auburn) and 1975 (Sutherland Shire). Closest finishes between top

six players since inception of Medal: 1974 when Mike Trebil-cock (Western Suburbs) ties with Allan Maher (Sutherland Shire) on 19 points and won on a countback and only three points separated the top six

players; 1978 when Terry Butler (A.P.I.A. Leichhardt) and Alan Bankhead (Arncliffe Scots) tied on 27 points. Butler won on a countback and only four points separated the top six players.



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# L GOJEVIC, BISKIC!

MELBOURNE CROATIA 4 (Gojevic 43rd, 52nd, Cumming 12th, Brogan penalty 40th) GREEN GULLY AJAX 0. penalty 40th) GREEN GULLI ASSA. State League Cup final at Olympic Park NO. 1 Second game of a double header. Crowd: about 5,000. Referee:

Voutasinas 5.

MELBOURNE CROATIA:
Blasby 7 — Curcio 3, Adams
8, Parton 8, Hannah 8 (Bilaver
80th) — Biskic 9, Antolovic 8,
Faulkner 8, Golevic 9 —
Brogan 8, Cumming 8 (Latif
56th). Coach: Tommy

Cumming.
GREEN GULLY AJAX:
Denys 7 - Peter Lewis 6,
Short 7, Cannell 6, Hogben 6
(inj. Krizanic 65th) - Manci-(inj. Krizanic 65th) — Manci-nelli 5 (Greechan H.T. 5), Boyle 6, Williams 7 — Toal 4, Smallman 5, Paul Lowis 4. Coach: David Smallman.



Croatia player-coach Tommy Cumming (left) surges toward goal with Ajax right back Peter Lewis in pursuit.

JUVENTUS 1 (Lloyd 82nd) CROYDON 2 (Irvine 84th, Sweeney

89th) State League Cup play-off for third and fourth place at

Olympic Park No. 1, Sunday. First game of double header. Crowd: about 5,000. Referee: Feam 8.

Hird

Kevin Lloyd slammed home a superb, low, 22 metre drive in the \$2nd minute, the game seemed over. Within three minutes though, scores were level after a crazy mix-up be-tween Gary Clayton and Harry Urd

JUVENTUS: Clayton 6 — V. Bannon 7, P. Bannon 8, P. Mirds 6 — G. Bannon 8 (Walson M.T. 71, Swinscoe 7, Lloyd 6 — French 7, Incentitupus 5, Zinni 7. Conch.: John Margaritis. CROYDON: Kastnar 7 — Marlay 7, Singleton 7, Dobson 6, Hobson 7, Singleton 7, Dobson 6, Hobson 7, Sweeney 7, Wallow 6 (Ed. Sweeney 7, Wallow 6) G. Conch. 7 of Different 7, Marlay 7, Singleton 7, Conch. 7 of Different 7, Sweeney 7, Marlay 6, Conch. 7 of Different 7, Sweeney 7, Marlay 6, Conch. 7 of Different 7, Sweeney 7, Marlay 6, Conch. 7 of Different 7, Sweeney 7, Marlay 6, Conch. 7 of Different 7, Sweeney 7, Marlay 6, Conch. 7 of Different 7, Sweeney 7, Marlay 6, Conch. 7 of Different 7, Sweeney 7, Marlay 6, Conch. 7 of Different 7, Sweeney 7, Marlay 6, Conch. 7 of Different 7, Sweeney 7, S

more chances than Croydon but lost 2-1 after a three goal blitz in the last

eight minutes.

By CRAIG MACKENZIE

As long as I draw breath, I'll never forget the Steve Gojevic-Josip Biskic show which held me spellbound during the 1983 State League Cup final.

These young Croatia stars taunted, teased, tormented, terrified then tore apart their opponents in a resounding triumph for skill, flair and triumph for skill, Hair and imagination and a stunning display of how to go about completely dismantling the previously invincible Green Gully Ajax machine No scrap merchant in the land would have given you a cent for what was left.

Croatia player-coach Tommy Cumming knew all along that Ajax's time was up. He told me two days before this match, at the Fleming Medal presentation night, that Croatia was the better team and would win. "They'll (Ajax) get a surprise on Sunday. They won't kick us off the park", he had said.

park", he had said.
You weren't wrong Tommy
Ajax players rarely got near
enough to kick anything, let
alone a bail or a leg.
"They don't like it up them.
We played them off the park
today. We've always been the
better side and we put a bit of
dig into our game and showed
them up for what they are",
said. Cumming after the
match. match

match
People at other clubs have been telling me all year that Ajax players and officials have become arrogant with success. I wish those people had spoke to the Ajax players and officials I spoke to after this crushing Croatia victory. They would have learned that Ajax was only too ready to concede was only too ready to concede that it had been completely outplayed. "They had far more fight

outplayed.
"They had far more fight than us. They wanted to win more than we did", said play-er-coach David Smallman. "I've got no excuses. They were far better."

Absolutely.

Apart from Gojevic's exciting close control, I was
most impressed with his attitude An Ajax player punched the 18 year old in the face
late in the first half. Gojevic
received treatment, then

Sweeney ends the misery

in with Hird and Clayton transfixed, stole the ball and struck it into the vacant goal.

I felt like crying: I'd cheered the Juvenus goal, thinking that at long last someone had scored and put an end to this meaningless, drab game. Had Croydon opened the scoring I would have been pleased too. Anything to put us out of our misery.

There must be a nasty streak in Irvine, I thought, as extra time and even penalties looked possible. How long would we have to wait before the cup final finally got under way?

would we have to wait before the cup final finally got under way?

Then Joe Sweeney, a truly great character, sensitive and sympathetic to the growing restlessness among the crowd, and obviously a Zico fan, decided to show us is class.

A minute of normal time remained when Steve Marley and Jimmy Rooney combined down the right, sending Rooney clear. The former Societo star chipped the ball into the Juventus goal mouth Sweeney seemed too far for ward to get a clean strike on target, but he redujusted his position of the sending t

much to the Croatia v. Ajax final.

It must be hard on Croydon and Juventus players, walking out onto Olympic Park knowing that win, lose or draw, nothing will have been achieved. Some Croydon players hugged each other with delight when referee Jim Fearn whistled for full time and I don't deny these players their moment of joy But this was no mighty triumph. It simply was the curtain raiser to the main match and a reason for the powers that be charge a four dollar entry fee, rather than just three dollars for one game.

Croydon finished the season 12 points behind Juventus. Croydon finished the State League Cup competition in third place with Juventus fourth. What does that prove?

— CRAIG MAC KENZIE

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## Joe Herman is Eltham's best

Former Polonia star Joe Herman won Eltham's best and fariest award at the Victorian Metro Third Division club's annual pre-sentation night last Friday at North Eltham Hall.

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Runner-up in the first team award was Mark Lewis.

Reserve team best and fairest was Benny Gillespie.

David Cubley was runner-up.

Mark Lewis did the double by winning the first team top scorer award. David Norton was leading scorer in the reserve team.

Suppoters' presentations were made to Hugh Graham, Chris Briggs and Alan Raynes for their effort and consistency throughout the season.



and holds the 1983 State League Cup high after leadin his team to a 4-0 victory. Pictures by LES SHORROCK.

carried on from where he had left off — in complete control. Poor David Hogben, He's a good player but Biskic ran rings around him. And the more Biskic skated past Hogben, the less the Ajax player wanted to charge forward when his team was in possession.

when his team was in posses-sion.

What about the cheek of Biskic in the second half when he could have passed on three or four occasions but held the ball, dodging the tackles of two Ajax players out wide on the right? The Croatia fans were giggling delightedly in the grandstand. Biskic was having a half!

grandstand Blskic was having a ball in the blskic and Gojevic were crushing Ajax out wide, but have been and Jozo Antolovic were having fun of their own in more central midfield roles. Ajax's opposition feached farcical proportions late in the match when Faulk-ner nutmegged an opponent and ran onto the ball with his arm in the air. I found out later, that Faulkner was signalling to a friend in the crowd. Now, that's confidence for you!

Antolovic too, showed superb ball skills and an uncanny understanding with Biskic down Croatia's right flank

The only reason that Gojevic and Biskic didn't get a 10 rating is that I don't believe in perfection. But their perform-ances were as close as you

ances were as close as you could get.
Croatia went at Ajax from the outset. Ajax was without Willie Vassallo, nursing a knee injury Young Fabio Mancinelli took Vassallo's midfield place and made no impression whatsoever He had many fellow strugglers about him. Kit Greechan replaced Mancinelli at half time but by then Croatia led 3-0 and Ajax was a well beaten team.

The first 45 minutes spar-kled with champagne football from Croatia.

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Sure, Ajax knocked the ball about at the back but it battled hard to keep possession and get into its attacking third. Indeed, I can't remember Croatia goalie Peter Blasby having to pull off a save in the first half. In fact, when Jim Williams struck a firm 25 metre shot straight at Blasby in the 81st minute the Croatia keeper finally realised that he too was taking part. And in the 75th minute Bobby Toal got onto the end of Ajax's only real control to the same first was the dominance of Croatia's midfield quartet which made possession for Toal and Paul Lewis such a rarity. Tony Curcio marked Lewis out of the game. George

Hannah took care of Toal.
Croatia captain Keith Adams
had an easy afternoon. Sean
Parton too, was never beaten.
Faulkner and Cumming had
shots inside the first in
minutes which failed to find
the match some in the little of the first in
minutes with a move which
highlights the passing ability
and off-the-ball running of
Croatia.
Gojevic was just outside the
Croatia area when he picked
up the ball from an Jax corner. He played it wide to
Parton on the left and the big
stopper charged forward.
Parton and Faulkner played a
one-two just inside Croatia's
statacking half then Parton
switched play to Antolovic,
wide on the night. Gojevic had
been making a 00 meter run
off-the-ball which was
was the shall forward to Gojevic,
who checked back inside a defender and crossed. Steve
short headed the ball high in
the air, Faulkner backheaded
and there was Cumming at the
far post, unmarked, and the
furly of the shall back to
from the shall

awarded by referee Dennis Voutsinas
However, I can't agree with an earlier decision by Voutsinas—to book Adams for time wasting Antolovic had been injured in a tackle with Jim Williams and was on the sideline recovering Adams deliberately pretended to be tying up his laces, refusing to take a throw-in, while Antolovic recovered. Voutsinas booked Adams.
Tye got to ask which offence

L've got to ask which offence is greater — wasting time or fouling opponents? Boyle fea-tured in a succession of fouls in the first 30 minutes, all spotin the first 30 minutes, all spot-ted by Voutsinas who awarded free kicks to Croatia. Boyle wasn't cautioned. Cumming too, went mighty close to earn-ing a caution, but Voutsinas still kept his yellow card unemployed. Until Adams wasted time.

wasted time.
Croatia fans still were roaring their approval of the
second goal when Gojevic sent
them drunk with delight. He
won the ball in a tackle about
15 metres inside his attacking
half. Ajax had moved forward
and when Gojevic took them

by surprise by coming out of the tackle with the ball, just one opponent confronted him. It was an incredible sight. Gojevic had three or four team mates around him as he beat the last Ajax player in his way, carried the ball forward, drew Lou Denys out then slipped it low into goal. That was in the 43rd minute. It was 3-0 and no contest. The State League Cup had Croatia's name written all over it.

Ajax fans probably expected some sort of second half fightback. It never materialised. Within eight minutes of the restart Gojevic made it 4-0. By now the youngster was in his element. Nutmegging records were searching for holes to hide their embarrassment in. Croatia fans were shouting themselves hoarse and coach

their embarrassment in, Croatia fans were shouting themselves hoarse and coach Cumming even took pity on Ajax, taking himself off and letting Ossie Latif join the revery Latif tested the strength of the crossbar late in the game with a left foot drive. And Gojevic would have canned a memorable display

And Gojevic would have capped a memorable display with an 18 metre drive in the final minute which dipped and swerved into goal but couldn't beat Denys, who made a fine save, tipping the ball just over. That would have been Gojevic's hat-trick and what a thorought deserved homer for the

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Steve Gojevic



Josip Biskic

# 'Charity' says Langer

Ajax treasurer Arnold anger slammed the State League Cup and the atti-tude of his players after Croatia's resounding win on Sunday.

'The State League Cup is a charity competition. like a charity competition. And all the Croatia people who are saying that their team is the best now have short memo-ries. While Ajax has been win-ning championships and cups over the past three years,

Croatia only has won State League Cups — this year's and the 1981 one," said Langer.
"I'm disappointed with the attitude of the Ajax players no-netheless I have the feeling that all week long, our build-up to this game was treated as a joke by our players. I'll be discussing the matter with David Smallman and Jim Williams this week.
"It disgusts me as an Ajax clubman, that our attitude was bad."

# **Triumph for Knox** in Metro Cup

KNOX CITY 2 (Lesbirell 3rd, Gerrish 75th) NUNAWADING CITY 1 (Mullet 28th), Metro League Cup final at Croydon Park, Saturday.

NUNAWADING: Frensham 9, Brown 7, Deane 6, Furzer 7, Gow 7, Owen 8, Bakker 8, Moyle 8, Nellese 6, Mullet 8, Kenket 7 (Lesic 50th). KNOX CIT? McTurk 9, Dixon 9, Schrooder 7, Bissiper 7, Fitzpatrick 7, D. Smith 7, Wild (Roddis 70th), Murray 6, Leabirell 8, Gerrish 7, House 8.

Knox City strengthened its claim for one of the ex-pected vacancies in the 1984 State League by winning the Metro League Cup at the expense of Nunewading City, the giant killer in this year's competition.

City, the giant killer in this year's competition.

Knox threw everything at Nuna in the first 15 minutes but Nuna goalie Fensham was in fine form. In the second minute, House latched onto a bad back pass but shot stright at Fensham. A minute later however, Knox took the lead.

Dixon played an early cross to player-coach Eric Lesbirell and the former Preston Makedonia and Frankston City star made no mistake with a fine header.

Gerrish should have increased Knox's lead when he intercepted another poor pass back but Fensham again came to Nuna's rescue.

another poor pass back but Pensnam again came to rome a so-cue.

Nuna fought back and started to win much more of the ball in midfield. It equalised in the 28th minute after Knox failed to clear a free kick floated into its penalty area. The ball fell to Phil Mullet who slammed it in from close range.

Nuna had far more of the game now, but tragedy struck in the 40th minute when Henkel collided with McTurk and was taken to hospital with a dislocated knee.

Nuna substitute Lesic, who had replaced Henkel, had a great chance to give his side the lead in the second half when he rounded keeper McTurk but Lesic shot high and wide. Then Mullet broke through, with Knox defenders waiting for the offside flag, but the Nuna striker shot wide when confronted only by McTurk.

McTurk.
Roddis replaced Wild in midfield for Knox in an attempt to get more bite in this department and almost immediately Knox was rewarded with what was to be the winning goal.
Duncan Smith chipped a free kick over Nuna's defensive wall to

House whose shot from close range was palmed out by a superb reflex save from Fensham. However, the Nuna keeper was help-less as Gerrish charged in to tuck away the rebound. Nuna threw caution to the wind and could have equalised in the

dying seconds when Moyle broke through and seemed set to scor until a desperate tackle from Knox's best, Dixon, save the day.

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The Coburg Shield, an annual six-a-side competition, kicks off is Sunday at 11 am at Hosken Reserve, Pallett Street, North

Coburg.

Coburg.

There are 10 teams in the competition. They are: Coburg, Coburg's youth team, Moreland, Sunbury United, Ansett, Rosanna, Pascoe Vale, Waverley City, Clayton and Meadow Park.

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# Hird. The ball had been played back to Hird who was about six metres out from his own goal. Clayton came off his line, anticipating Hird's pass back when stopped White this action was taking place, Steve of the ball a metre in front of himself then stopped, expecting Clayton to come forward and gather. Irvine nipped When Juventus midfielder VICTORIAN SOCCER FEDERATION

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# DOCKERTY CUP QUARTER-FINALS



Morwell's side on Sunday?

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# **Croatia and Ajax** again; Wilhelmina, Hillmen to triumph

By CRAIG MACKENZIE

The character of the Green Gully Ajax players will be under the microscope when the green and white meet Croydon on Sunday in the Dockerty Cup quarter-finals.

Ajax's abysmal State League Cup final effort will be in the back of its players' minds but I'm betting that they'll hit back hard by tipping Croydon out of the Cup in the second of Olympic Park's quarter-final double header.

The first match at head-quarters is between Morwell Falcons and Melbourne Croatia at 1.15 pm. Falcons' coach Tony Boggi is quietly confident. He says that this will be a nail biting battle and that anyone writing off his side's chances, better think again.

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with just one recognised mid-fielder — Jim MacLean. How-ever, if Joe Plummer comes into the team at right back. Harry Bingham then could push forward into the mid-field. And Boggi is impressed with the way Tony van Baar's been training, so the blond headed van Baar probably will join MacLean, Bingham and Eric Young in Morwell's mid-field quartet.

Field quartet.

Experienced Bill Whiteside is back in goal and there's a far more balanced look about Falcons here with Noel Mitten and Bobby McGuinness up front. Bingham and van Baar will play out wide in midfield where their mobility will be put to good use. Young adds bite to midfield and MacLean is the playmaker there.

is the playmaker there.

It's been a disastrous year for Morwell which promised so much and achieved so little after finishing in the top four last season—its first in State League company. The players realise that this is their low the season of the sea

Green Gully Ajax should defeat Croydon in the second quarter-final at Olympic Park. There's an injury worry over Croydon striker Ian Loughanew who has been troubled by a knee complaint over the past few weeks and aggravated the injury in the State League Cup against Croatia.

Loughnane's recent form suggests that if fit, he'd surely play. If he can't shrugg off the complaint, Croydon will line-pure with Steve Irvine, Joe Sweeney and Gus Macleod up front.

front.

Ajax has yet to beat Croydon
this season. The teams battled
out a 1-1 draw at Croydon Park
in the first half of the league
season with goals from
Sweeney and Paul Lewis. Up
at Green Gully Reserve,
neither side broke the deadlock and a 0-0 draw, resulted.

That's out the Soure the

That's all the spur the champs need to turn in another professional, well drilled dis-play here and win a semi-final berth.

berth.

Maybe it's just as well that Croatia and Ajax will be in the National League next year. Then we might reach the quarter-final stage of Victorian soccer's most prestigious cup competition, thinking that a few teams have realistic chances of getting into the final. Not so here. You can't get a bet on a Croatia V. Ajax final, for the odds are ridiculously short.

Won't it be great to see the

lously short.
Won't it be great to see the
VSF finally do away with these
shameful, engineered "cup
draws"? If Croatia and Ajax,
as expected, win on Sunday,
can you imagine them being
drawn to meet in a semi-final?
Never! Our Soccer House
bosses want these State

League giants to play in the final, and they'll probably get their way.

Ringwood Wilhelmina and Doveton, unfashionable clubs, clash at Wembley Park on Sunday in the first game of the quarter-final double header there. I think Wilhelmina will win.

there. I think Wilhelmina will win. Doveton will be well below full strength for this important match. Greg Macleod and Steve Gadsby both are cupted. MacLeod played in an earlier cup round with Box Hill. Gadsby did likewise with Dandenong City. Their absence causes a major reshuffle at the back. Andy Millar probably will play left back with Billy Buchanan sweeping up. Paul Corke, as usual, will systopper and Graham Watson will be right back.

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But Doveton's problems don't end there. Peter Thurlow is best man at a wedding on Sunday and his loss will be really felt in midfield. Colin Bartlett and Mark Lennon probably will be the flanking midfielders with John Dowie and Stan Wester in more central roles. Geoff Waterhouse will partner lan Stirton up front.

Develon Coach Hammy Moechan wants to give young sdiam Ryan a chance to young sdiam Ryan a chance to lay in goal, so regular keeper bean Keogh will sit on the substitute's bench, will be without the substitute's bench, will be without Kevin Adams, Brian Caddle and David Cork, Adams has a hamstring injuiry while Caddle twisted ankle ligaments at training last week. Cork's absence however, if far harder to explain.

It appears that Withelmin Cach, Rudi van Altena, doesn't have a high regard for Cork's talents. The former Sydney Olympic and Croydon Dlayer isn't even in the squad for this game!

Take it from me, David Cork is a good player. And when you've had the season Wilhelmina's and player sar a rarity in your team.

Good news for Withelmina fans is the return from injury of talented Dave Gibson. The wee man probably will play in midfield alongside Barry Burton and Oscar Alarcon, with Brian Thom, Neil Garvey and Kenny Stewart up front.

It think Wilhelmina, on paper at least, looks the stronger outfit. It crushed Melbourne in its last Dockerty Cup match at Wembley Park. The feature of that game was that every Wilhelmina player enjoyed himself that day. There was little pressure felt. Consequently, Wilhelmina played well, with Garvey scoring a couple of great goals, and Eddie Pena showing off his now well recognised shooting power with a drive from 25 metres which flashed into the net before the Melbourne keeper moved.

metres which
Melbourne keeper moved.
Box Hill left back Alan
Roodhouse will have a big say
in his team's efforts to knock
Fawkner out of the quartertinals. Roodhouse confront
Joe Palinkas, who



Croydon striker Gus Macleod - a threat in the air to Aiax?

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Doveton; BOX HILL v Fawkner

stoper Donald Brownile has to combat the heading ability of lan Tuffield and if Palinkos gets away from Roodhouse and starts slinging over telling crosses, the Hillmen will have a real right on their hands. Box Hill goalkeeper John McKinlay and midfielder Richard Miranda are battling to overcome injury but are expected to play. Miranda's presence in midfield will push either Ray Tolmie, Matt McDonald or Andy Hughes onto the bench. Pedro Ramos, now fit after a nagging ham starts problem, is a certain strain at the strain at the problem problem, is a certain at the strain at the and starts slinging over telling crosses, the Hillmen will have a real right on their hands. Box Hill goalkeeper John McKinlay and midfielder Richard Miranda are battling to overcome injury but are expected to play. Miranda's presence in midfield will push either Ray Tolmie, Matt McDonald or Andy Rughes onto the bench. Pedro Ramos, now fit after a nagging hamstring problem, is a certain starter.

Box Hill's Brian Keenan leaves for Scotland tomorrow (Thursday). During his six weeks overseas, he'll trala with Giasgow Celtic. Hammy McMeechan, the Doveton coach, arranged for the former Melbourne Croatia and

erty Cup semi-final berth.

I think Box Hill can win. A lot will depend on the efforts of strikers Peter Verechia and Paul Priestley.



Seaford's under 11s maintained the stirling work of pre-vious eyars in finishing second in their league and winning the Springvale City Cup, the William Bowles Shield and the Pen-insula Region championship.

insula Region championship.

They've been winning for years. As under 7s for example, they won 19 and drew one of their 20 matches, and the following year, they played as both under 8s and under 93. In 1881, still playing as under nines, they won every one of their 18 games, scoring 102 goals to 13, and as under 19s, they lost only one game all year.

Pictured, from left, back row: Jason Bishop, Brendan Rainey, Geoff Gillard, Ken Solomon, Peter Gourouros, Cralge Kirby, Stefan Lotosky, Derck Berends, Front: Steve Carter, David Moran, Clinton Adams, Christian Selsun, Kosta Athvist, Absent: Englebert Schmidd

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Kew City has completed its amalgamation with the Melbourne branch of the Glasgow Celtic Supporters' Club, with both bodies under the control of the same committee, and now will be known as Kew Celtic. Club chairman is Jim Douglas; Alby McCormack is president; Paddy McElhinney

vice-president, Mick Mitten secretary; Alf Owen treasurer: John Murray assistant secretary; and Don McNally assistant treasu

Andy Smale won Kew's best and fairest award this season with Paul Campbell runner

# Kangaroo toast of



DAVID MITCHELL

. U.K. publication 'Match Weekly' heralded the emergence of David Mitchel at Glasgow Rangers, with the following article.

They just don't come any more determined than Davie Mitchell.

The 21-year-old striker shelled out 17,000 pounds of his own toney to buy his transfer from Australian club Sydney City to

ane 21-year-one striker shelled out 17,000 pounds of his own money to buy his transfer from Australian club Sydney City to Glasgow Rangers!

And already the Kangaroo Kid' has convinced Brox fans that Rolf Harris and Fosters Lager are not the only good things to come from "Down Under."

After only a handful of games for Rangers, Davie is far from a household name. But ask any England defender about the second half substitute who created havoe in two of the summer tour games in Australia and they'll have no trouble remembering him.

The same all-action style that unsettled England's stars has made the six foot one inch, 12 stone player an instant hit with the fans — and one of the few bright points to emerge from Rangers' gloomy start to the season effected by manager John Oreig, after a brief trial period — marks his second spell at the club. Two years ago he went to Brox on trial but a winter freeze-up prevented him from making an impact and he returned to Australia.

"Rangers have always been the team I wanted to play for,"

ned to Australia.

"Rangers have always been the team I wanted to play for," he declares. "When I was a kid, I went to Ibrox with my brothers and, even after the family emigrated to Australia, we followed the team's progress in the newspapers and on

"So naturally I'm delighted that things are working out for me, although I must admit that I'm a bit surprised it has all happened so fast."

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In his first team debut in the League Cup tie against Queen of the South, Davie headed Rangers into the lead... after just two minutes' play! And he went on to lay on two more goals in the 'Gers' 4-1 win.

Seven days later, Davie confirmed his arrival in a big way when he repeated his five-star showing against Celtic.

In the white-hot heat of the 'Old Firm' clash, he refused to be intimidated by the occasion and gave the Celtic defence an uncomfortable afternoon. Although beaten 2-1, the big stricker's performance did much to ease the pain of Rangers' defeat.

"When Rangers play Celic it is always something special

"When Rangers play Celic it is always something special and, knowing that, I thought I was prepared for the game," he

\*\*But knowing about it, preparing for it, and being involved in it are so different. The atmosphere is incredible and that tends to push the pace of the game. Towards the end, everyone was drained.

one was drained.
"It was disappointing to finish on the losing side. Bu know how close we came to winning. If we were to play C again tomorrow there would be no lack of confidence in

squad."

The furious pace of the 'Old Firm' tussle showed Davie how much more demanding Scottish football is compared to the Australian game. Having missed Rangers' rigorous preseason training, he now finds himself working harder to reach the required level of fitness.

Looking back to England's tour of Australia, Davie con-lesses to leeling disappointed by the reaction.
"Too many people were in such a hurry to write off the results as bad England performances," he says.
"We played well and were very unlucky to take only two draws from the three games."

draws from the three games."

Having represented Australia on 15 occasions, the Glaswegian Aussie is now committed to playing for his adopted country — and that needles him a little. "I would love to have played for Scotland," he confirms. "When I got the chance to play for Australia I had a long discussion with my father. We realised it would have meant shutting the door on Scotland but we finally decided it was too good a chance to throw away. "None of us expected things to happen so quickly with Rangers, Perhaps, if I had known I would be in the first team in such a short time, I would have made a different choice. "But there's no point in brooding over what might have been."

been."
Davie Mitchell is unlikely to do much brooding in the months ahead. He is starting out on what looks like being a bright career with Rangers and, having won over the fans so quickly, his name is sure to echo around the grounds for a long

# \*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\* Benfica, Hamb

Hamburg, which received a first round bye, will launch its belated defence of the European Cup against dynamo Bucharest in Romania on October 19.

The West Germans, who beat Juventus of Italy in last season's final in Athens, were in luck yet again when the draw for the second round of the three European competitions was made in Zurich.

Hamburg avoided all the

Hamburg avoided all the sides that appear its biggest threats and should have little difficulty in reaching the quar-ter-finals.

ter-finals.

Three times European champion — Liverpool of England was less fortunate and faces the prospect of a rough faces the prospect of a rough letter of the faces the prospect of a rough letter by the faces the prospect of a rough letter by the faces of the f

when he put Diego Maradona out of the game for, at least three months.

Golkoettea collected an 18-march suspension for a tackle which led the Argentine with some and ligaments.

Greek champion Olympia-kos, first round conquerer of 1911-73 cup winners Ajax Amsterdam, will turn its attention to another great name of the past, Benfica.

The Portuguese, winners of the European Cup in 1961 and 1962, travel to Greece for the first leg where they will be content to defend in the hope of securing their quarter-final place in the return in Lisbon on November 2. Italian champion Roma also

November 2.
Italian champion Roma also faces a tricky assignment. It was paired with Cska Sofia of Bulgaria, which has earned a giant-killing reputation over the years by knocking-out Ajax, Liverpool and Notting-ham Forest of England, all owhich were cup holders at the time.

time.

The tie of the round, however, will be between Belgium's standard Liege and Dundee United of Scotland, two of the most dangerous dark-horses in the competition.

petition.

The Belgians are at home in the first-leg and will need the cushion of a two-goal advantage if they are to visit Scotland with any confidence.

The big three in the Cup-Winners' Cup should all advance without undue difficulty Holder Aberdeen of Scotland meets Beweren of Belgium, Juventus Kackles Paris St. Germain and Barcelona faces Nijmegen of the Netherlands.

The European Football Union (UEFA) cup draw pro-duced a number of appetising pairings.

All six former European champions were kept apart and the highlights could be two England-Netherlands clashes.

England-Netherlands clashes.
Nottingham Forest, the 1979
and 1980 champions' cup winner, takes new-signing Frans
Thijssen back to his homeland
to meet PSV Eindhoven, while
Tottenham travels to the Netherlands to meet Feyenoord,
the 1970 European Cup winner.

Two other British clubs are also involved in what appear to be cracking ties.

Glasgow Celtic, the 1967 European champion travels to Sporting Lisbon and Aston Villa, the 1982 Cup winner, meets Spartak Moscow in the Soviet Union.

But Bayern Munich, European Cup winner from 1974-76, and Internazionale (1944 and 1965) were given easier assignments.

and 1965) were given easier as-signments.

The West Germans mee Thessaloniki in Greece while the Italians have a Dutch en-agement in Groningen.

Holder Anderlecht of Bel-gium meets Banik Ostrava of Čzechoslovakia and should

progress with ease into the



# SOCCER WORLD

# **NASL** to include games against overseas clubs

From ALEX YANNIS

Survival is the issue that hangs over the North American Soccer League like a heavy cloud despite the success of Soccer Bowl-83, which sold all 60,051 tickets for the Tulsa Rough-necks' 2-0 victory over the Toronto

over the Toronto
Blizzard.

Howard Samuels, the League's president, said there
we several unstable franthem and the several unstable frantemain after the Seattle
Sounders folded last week, and
he specifically cited these
trouble areas and possible developments:

The Montreal Manic's
turne is uncertain, with one
prospect being a reorganisation fram Canada.

The San Diego Sockers
will have to be refinanced for
the outdoor season.

The Tampa Bay Rowdies,
once a solid franchise, is on
the verge of being sold, and
their coach is ready to leave
despite having two years left
on his contract.

The biguesty blemish for

kers may move to Minnesota.

The biggesvt blemish for Sanuels was the failure of Team America, his brainchild, which did poorly on the field

in Vancouver

and in the stands and which has been disbanded until April. Samuels insisted the team would be restructured.

The average regular-season attendance this year, 13,257, was almost identical to last year's 13,25 But the league operated with two fewer teams, and its 12 franchises lost about \$20 million, according to Samuels, who became the league's top executive 16 months ago.

"I restructured the league

months ago.

"I restructured the league from the financial viewpoint," Samuels said. "I tried to inst." Samuels said. "I tried to inst." I said the business sense, and it paid off in a way because the losses went down by about 50 million. But everyone has to 50 more if we want the league to survive. I think the league will survive because the foundation of the sport is there." of the sport is there.

Samuels said he was encouraged by the success of the game among youth and at the college level. He said that if the league could survive, it would eventually benefit from this popularity.

this popularity.

But, he said, "The NASL is at the same level as last year and that is a big disappointment to me."

Another disappointment, he said, was the failure to work

Barcelona's Argentina star Diego Maradona will be out of soccer for four months after being carried off with a severe ankle injury during their match with Bilbao.

Houghton

triumph

out a merger with the Major Indoor Soccer League. "I did everything in my power to achieve that merger, but it takes two to tango," Samuels said

The main obstacle in his talks with Earl Foreman, the MISL commissioner, was the length of the MISL season. Foreman preferred an indoor season that Samuels thought would be too long and would push back the starting date of the outdoor season too far.

As a result, the two leagues will compete for the indoor market this winter. The NASL fielded three teams in the MISL last year — Chicago, of Golden Bay and San Diego, which captured the championship — but this year will have its own indoor season.

To satisfy the advocates of the indoor game in his league, Samuels said in an interview that he would recommend the outdoor schedule be shortened to as few as 24 games from its current 30. He said this proposal would be made at the league owners meeting in Chicago later this month. The Cosmos and Toronto are expected to be the strongest opponents to that

proposal because they have two of the league's healthiest outdoor franchises.

proposal because they have wo of the league's healthiest outdoor franchises. To compromise, Samuels said he hoped to implement what he called "International games". Under this plant learns in the NASL would play games against top foreign teams next summer had would count in the NASL would play games and sead of the propose of the name of th

# Dutch star to Greece

Former FC Koeln leader Heinz Hoeher is the new coach of Olympiakos. He signed a one-year contract at \$5500 a month. AEK Athens is paying Englishman John Barn-voll the come amount and

AEK Athens is paying Englishman John Barnwell the same amount, and has signed Tommy Langley from Crystal Palace for about \$15,000 and Trevor Ross, ex-Everton, for \$250,000. In addition, AEK bought Bobby Akrivopoulos for \$140,000 from Veria where he scored 26 goals last season, and Brazillian-born defender Paylos

f e n d e r P a v 1 o s Papaiouannou for \$170,000 from Rhodes

from Rhodes.
Panathinaikos has appointed Jacek Gmoch as coach and bought striker Androklis Constantinidis from Atromitos for \$70,000.
Laris also hired a new coach, Australian Walter Skocik who previously was with Las Palmas in Spain, and signed Swedish international striker Wilf Erickson for \$240,000.
But the biggest capture

But the biggest capture But the biggest capture in Greek soccer was that of Rene van de Kerkhof, who signed for Apollon for \$180,000, probably because Apollon also has a Dutch coach, Beurt Theunissen, formerly with Young Boys in Switzerland.

# New Brazil star, Jennings hits 100 their 18-0 aggregate win in the UEFA Cup against Valetta for the Chessa's more of the Chessa's more of 1971-12 in the Chessa's more of 1971-12 in the Chessa's more of 1971-12 in the Chessa's more cup when the Chessa's will consider a will chessal of the Chessa's more of the Chessa' Maradona out

Crazy horse
Swansos City, not long
back the pride of Welse in
the First Division but now
near the bottom of the
Second Division after unloeding most of their experienced players, have
turned to former Liverpool
and England skipper Emilyn
('Crazy Horse)' Hughes to
try and pull them together.
Hughes, now 37, has joined
them on a three-month contract.

## Multi-cultural

In the Manchester United v Liverpool match 18 inter-nationals were on view and only four were English. Scots, Irish, Welsh a Dutchman and a Zim-babwe accounted for the other

## McStay capped

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paul McStay, the brilliant
18-year-old Celtic player,
made history in Scottish
soccur, winning an international cap against Urugury
at senior level to go along
with his Scottish Youth and
Under 21 caps all in one
year. No also joins Denis
Laws as the only other 18year-old to wine full Scottish
cap this century.

#### Lohman captain

Jan Lohman, bought a couple of years ago from RSC Lockeren, is the new ca-ptain of Watford.

Piontek boss Sepp Plontek, Denmark's national coach, is a former West German International defender. Plontek, 43, reckoned to be a brilllant and

shrewd cosch, a natural leader and has the knack of mixing light humour with firm driving. Piontek has to make countless trips around most of the European countries to check on his players. Of the 18-strong squad which came to England for the European Championship tie at Wembley, only two are homolub sides scattered all over Europe.

## Ardiles, Villa

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Argentinian stars Ossie
Ardies and Ricky Villo, now
with Fort Lauderdale Villo, now
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#### World final

WYOFIG TIMES
Gemic of Brazil, the South
American champions, will
meet the European Cub
holder Hamburg for the
World Club title in Tokyo on
December 11. The game is
likely to be broadcast live or
recorded on TV to more than

Jennings 100 Pat Jennings, Arsenal's 38-year-old keeper who became the first British player to ring up 1000 Foot-ball League appearances earlier this year, created an-other record when he played



for Northern Ireland against Austria. He became the first Austria. He became the first Irishman to chalk up 100 international caps for his country.

Greig booed After Rangers' third defeat in a row when they lost at home to Aberdeen several hundred of the near 30,000 crowd milled around horox Stadium calling for the resignation of manager and former long serving player John Greig.

#### Johan Cruyff

Johan Cruyff is almost on the breadline with his new club, Feyeroord. The Dutch master who has reputedly earned annual salaries in the past with Barcelona and in America around the half million mark is snow reported to get only about \$180,000 plus appearance money and bonuses with Feyenoord.

# Armstrong hurt

Northern Ireland ran Austria ragged in their 3-1 European Championships game in Belfast but at a cost. Gerry Armstrong, voted Britain's best player in the

# From JIM COOK our European correspondent

last World Cup finals in Spain, was clobbered in the first five minutes by a late tackle from an Austrian de-fender and his Spanish club wants compensation from the hard-up Northern Ire-land F.A. after he missed an important league garne.

#### James Garner

American James Garner, star of the "Rockford Files' series on TV, is an avid soccer fan in the USA and takes in many matches. Frequently in England, he supports Orient as his daughter's flance is a barracker for the London side.

Enumph

Bob Houghton the young
Englishman who carried Swedish part-timers Malmoe to the
linal of the European Cup hashit the headlines again by
taking Toronto Blizzards to the
North American Soccer Bowl
Championship final. Scirea captain Thirty-year-old sweeper Gaetano Scirea who has signed a new four-year con-tract with the club, is the new captain of Juventus.

2 to Mitchell Glasgow Rangers have now scored 200 goals in Eu-ropean competitions. But

West Germany has followed England in outlawing the "professional foul," which now is punishable by a sending-

Deliberate handball is an exception. It will prompt only a warning.

Most German clubs have cut wages — and because wages determine transfer fees, they too are lower.

too are lower.
The top transfers were:
\$850,000 — Soeren Lerby from Ajax Amsterdam to Bayern Munich;
\$880,000 — Dan Corneliusson from Gothen-

burg to VfB Stuttgart;

# Cochrane fined

Northern Ireland striker Terry Cochrane of Middle-sborough has been fined two weeks wages and given a free transer for what boss Malcolm Allison described as disgraceful behaviour in a reserve match. The 39 year wingman capped 24 times for Northern Ieland made what Allison describes as ob-sence yestippes at an onno-

# **Germans** get tough

S89,000 — Dieter Schatzschneider Irom
Hanover to Hamburger SV; Bruno Pezzey
from Eintracht Frankfurt to Werder Bremen;
\$490,000 – Juergen Mohr from Hertha BSC
to Eintracht Frankfurt.
Korean star Cha Bum Keun, who often has
played against Australia, was sold by Eintracht Frankfurt to Bayer Leverkusen.
According to "Kicker Sportmagazin", the
Bundesliga currently has four world class
players — goalkeeper Harold Schumacher
(Koeln), midfielder Felix Magath (Hamburg), stopper Karl-Heinz Foerster (Sutitgart) and Belgian goalkeeper Jean-Maria
Pfaff (Bayern Munich).

# The European Championship

# Spain triumphs, striker

PHILIP MICALLEF continues his history of the European Championships, which currently are building up

# Germany in 3-0 win

Wost Germany beat Austria 3-0 (halftime 3-0) in a European championship Group Six qualifying game in Gelsen-kirchen. Scorers: Rummenigge (3rd min), Voeller (18th, 20th). Group six standings:

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Next match — Oct 12 Turkey Northern Ireland.

# Japan loses to Sumner and Boath

By. PAUL MOON

One-time West A delaide Hellas teammates Allan Boath and Steve Sumner were the toast of New Zealand soccer after scoring all their sides goals in the 3-1 win over Japan in an Olympic genes quali-

Japan did enough to suggest that its young team has the po-tential to become a fore in Asian soccer. Right winger Kimura Kazushi made an im-

New Zealand though gained the two points and its coach Allan Jones had every reason to be satisfied with the out-come of this — his first major

For his predecessor John dshead, the match was also a Adshead, the match was also a milestone, as it marked his debut as Television New Zea-land's soccer commentators.

The number of participants in the 1962/64 Nations' Cup rose from a meagerly 17 in the first edition to 29.

England and Italy, which had snubbed the first edition, decided to take part but West Germany

England and Italy, which nad snuoved use must edition, decided to take part but West Germany stayed away.

The competition's knock-out basis was maintained and 28 teams were pitted against each other in the first round which kicked off in the autumn of 1962 — only a few months after the and of the World Cup in Chile.

Holders USSR, Austria and Luxembourg were given a bye and went straight into the second round.

The shock of the first round was England's elimination by a young French side brimming with confidence.

England was held to a dismal 1-l draw in the first leg in Sheffield but in the return match the exuberant French ran riot and won 52, also with the complicity of goal keeper Ron Springett.

Italy, Spain and Denmark obtained easy victories over Turkey, Rumania and Malta respectively.

The closest first-round lie featured Bulgaria and Portugal.

The Portuguese side was based on the great Benfica team which had won the previous two European Champions' Cups.

In a deserted Olympic Stadium in Rome a young striker with the name of Georgi Asparoukou helped Bulgaria to a narrow 1-0 win over the fancied Portuguese of Eusebio, Coluna and Co.

Asparoukou was expected to become one of the most celebrated forwards in European football until a car accident in the early 78b brought his life to a tragle end.

The second round saw the elimination of Italy by a tactically-disciplined Soviet side.

The Cup holder won an ill-tempered first match in Moscow's Lenia Stadium 2-0 and in the return leg in Rome goalkeeper Lev Yashin denied the Italians with a number of great saves to help his side to a 1-1 draw.

Yashin even saved a penalty taken by Inter-Millan forward Mazzola.

France went through to the 'quarters' at the expense of Bulgaria while Spain had to fight harder than expected against a

zola.
France went through to the 'quarters' at the expense of Bulgaria while Spain had to fight harder than expected against a modest but resilient Northern Ireland.
The Irish held Spain to an away 1-1 draw but then lost 0-1 at Ninian Park in Belfast and were out.



Madrid. Spain won 2-1.

The second round's major surprise came from Yugoslavia, beaten finalist in the first edition.

Sweden held the Slavs to a 0-0 draw in Belgrade and finished off the Eastern Europeans with a 3-2 win in Stockholm.

The talented Hungarians, led by that magnificent centre-forward Florian Albert, accounted for East Germany, winning 5-4 on aggregate.

The quarter-finals produced a surprise qualifier in Denmark, which beat Luxembourg 1-0 in a play-off after both legs had finished in draws.

Spain had no difficulty in beating Eire 7-1 on aggregate, winning both at home and away, while the USSR beat Sweden 3-1 in Moscow after holding the Scandinavian side to an away 1-1 draw. Hungary turned on some fine stuff in its clash with the confident French. The Magyars won both legs to move into the seminals on an impressive 5-2 aggregate.

The final series was held in Spain and the long-suffering Spanish and produced some magnificent clubs over the years but for the spain and team— without imported stars — never really hit it off.

off.

This time, however, was their big chance. And with such a gifted player as Luis Suarez leading them in midfield and with Real Madrid striker Amancio ready to hit the big time, things were looking good for the "Red Furies."

The final phase was televised live throughout Europe and in the first semi-final in Madrid, Pereda put Spain in the lead with a

the first semi-final in Madrid, Pereda put Spain in the lead with a first half goal.

But a goal from Ferencvaros wingman Nagy sent the match into extra time. Amancio then managed to slot in the winner to send the Bernabeu crowd — his home crowd — wild with delight. Spain was in the final!

In the other semi-final in Barcelona, the Soviets were toolstrong for the Danish part-timers.

Goals by halfback Voronin, striker Pondelnik and midfielder Ivanov put the Soviets into their dsecond Nations' Cup final. In the match for third place Hungary beat Denmark 3-1 after extra time.

time.

The final in Madrid's Bernabeu Stadium was played in pouring rain but still drew 120,000 partisan fans, including Generalissimo

Train but still drew 120,000 partisan taus, management rain but still drew 120,000 partisan taus, management Spain, playing its typical, game of short passing and quick, sudden breaks, took the lead with an early goal from Pereda. But soon afterwards Khusainou stunned the Bernabeu with a striker aqualiser.

well-taken equaliser.

The USSR had more possession in the second half but strikers

Chislenko and Pondelnik failed to break down a solid Spanish defence centred around sweeper Zoco. The match was heading for extra time when, with only a few minutes remaining, Zaragoza striker Marcelino met a cross from Pereda and headed in the winner. The Soviets, and Yashin, were

Pereda and headed in the winner. The Soviets, and Yashin, were beaten!

At the end of the match hundreds of fans poured onto the pitch to congratulate their heroes. After the great triumphs of Real Madrid and Barcelona in the European club competitions, Spain was now champion of Europe.

Spain's coach Vilialonga later blasted the Soviets for their "physical" play but had hopes of praise for Suarez, whom he regarded as a "Great midfield speneral."

The Spanish press halled Marcelino as "the new Di Stefano" but subsequent months were to prove these predictions a bit too premature.

premature.

Coach Beskou said his Soviets deserved at least a draw after dominating the second half. But he added his side was let down by the forwards, particularly Pondelnik.

#### **SECOND EUROPEAN NATIONS** CUP, 1962/64

Quarter-finals USSR - Sweden 1-1, 3-1 Luxemburg - Denmark 3-3, 2-2, 0-1 Spain - Eire 5-1, 2-0 France - Hungary 1-3, 1-2

Semi-finals Spain - Hungary 2-1 USSR - Denmark 3-0 USSR - Deemark 3-0

Match for third place

Hungery - Deemark 3-1

Final — Estadio Bemabeu, Madrid June 21, 1964 — 120,000

Spain - USSR 2-1 (1-1) (Perada,

Kharajian Marselina)

Olivella, Zoco, Amancio, Perede, Marceli-no, Suerre, Lepetra. USSR: Yashin, Chustikov, Mudrik, Voronin, Shestornev, Anitchkin, Chisleska, Ivanov, Pondelnik, Komaev, Khussinov. Referes: Holland (England)

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First Round
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# The biggest stink since sewer went on strike

Bobby Robson

No other manager in England's post-war history including Sir Alf Ramsay, Don Revie and Ron Greenwood, suffered such a barrage of abuse from the press and public as Bobby Robson did after the defeat by little Demmark in the vital European Championship match.

It was not only the defeat

Enampionship match.

It was not only the defeat that brought storms of wrath and scorn. It was the diabolical display of the England side which played like a works team expecting its redundancy pay.

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pay.
England was so short of
skill, so devoid of ideas and
such easy prey for the opposition that Denmark must have
thought its Christmas had
come three months earlier.
Robson, so mewhat timid in
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may snowball in the coming
months and make thier jobs
impossible.
Robson, so successful as a
club manager with Ipswich
Town for over 10 years, has already turned grey after only
one season as Ron Greenwood's successor.
He is adamaant he won't
pack but his popularity and
esteem took a dive even before

Rubbish. Send for Cloughie. We don't produce a team anymore. We turn out a bunch of neuro-

We turn out a bunch of neurotics."

Denis Law (Stat): "Foreis Lay (Stat)

coaching books and put a gag on all technical jargon. Because its obvious England have talked and coached themselves into a hole. 
Malcohn Allison (ex manager Manchester City, Sporting Usebook Manchester City, Sporting Usebook Manchester City, Sporting Usebook Manchester City, Sporting Usebook on the right man for the England manager's job."

Mike Langlavy (One of England's top soccer writers, with the Sunday People): "I feel so sory for our Bobby He's in a job hardly worth having while clubbs the shands and coaches turn out carthorses.

hands and coaches turn out carthorses:

Allan Simonsen (scorer of Denmark's- penalty goal and former European Footballer of the Year). "It's time the old dog football learned a few new tricks. What England are seeing now is culmination of bad coaching going back several years."

James Mossop (Sunday Express). "Tell me it's not true. Wake me from the neightmare of a dark damp night at Wembley in which England's footballers slevenly surrendered to a group of modest Vikings."

venly surrendered to a group of modest Vikings."

Terry McNeill (News of the World): "England's performance generated the biggest stink since the sewer men went on strike."

# **New Hungary**

The new Hungarian national squad, picked recently by coach Gyoergy Mezey, is:

Coach Gyoergy Mezey, is:

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the match with Denmark when he failed to list his team until the last minute, omitted Spurs star Glenn Hoddle and continues to ignore that great match-winner Kevin Keegan. On the other hand it must be emphasised that the England manager doesn't always the manager doesn't always the doesn't always

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# an Olympic games quali-fying fixture at Mount Smart Stadium, Auckland. A goal down at half time, the Kiwis appeared to be in trouble against a very capable Japanese team.

But, well-taken goals by Sumner (2) and Boath during the second period, in which New Zealand made full use of a strong wind, proved decisi-ve.

Sydney Olympic's Ricki Herbert was a solid figure in the entre of defence, but New Zealand's other Australian-based player Duncan Cole (Canberra City), had to be content with a position on the substitutes' bench for the whole 90 minutes.

mense impression with his pace, control and shooting ability.

competitive international.

New Zealand meanwhile has withdrawn from the Merlon Cup in Singapore in December.

## Rummenigge alone! -

The changing face of world soccer is reflected in the world all-star team chosen in "World Soccer" magazine by Eric Batty. It includes only one front-line striker.

Bob Driscoll (Daily Star)
"Bobby Robson should get rid of
the idlers who shamefully deva-lued the faith the nation invested

them." The Sun (Editorial): "Robson's

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# LA JUVENTUS DEVE SCEGLIERE IL FALLIMENTO O IL SUCCESSO!

Le lega nazionale re-gionalizzata e' ormai da considerare cosa certa per il prossimo anno, nonos-tante qualcuno insista ancora a dire che ci sono ancora tante cose da ri-solvere; ed e' anche piu' che sicuro che la Juventus di Melbourne sara' una delle prime squadre ad delle prime squadre ad essere ammesso.

essere ammesso.
Pero' non e' altrettanto sicuro che la lega nazionale sia la soluzione di tutti i problemi del club bianconero. Anzi potrebbe essere l'aggravarsi dei suoi problemi E' innegabile che il club bianconero dovra reperire quattro-cinque giocatori per ben frigirare nella competizione nazionale, e' anche essenziale che il club assuma un direttore a tempo pieno per mandare avanti umipressa il cui giro d'affari dovra' aggirarsi intorno ai 500,000, e' ancho molto importante che il "marketing" el pubbliche relazioni del club migliorino di molto, sara' necessario mettere in atto finalessario mettere in atto final-mente una politica di potenzia-

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mento dei vivai. Tut., assieme il club dovra' funzionare ad un livello molto più alto per recuperare le spese maggiorate e per avere i mezzi di piantarsi solidamente nella massima competizione nazionale.

A seconda di come si organizzera', la Juventus va incontro ad un disastro o al successo a tutti i livelli. Le incontro al un canto per rittorare.

cesso a tutti i livelli. Le in-tenzioni e la gente per ottenere-questo successo ci sono, l'esperienza comincia a farsi luce, ma crediamo nostro dovere dare alcuni suggeri-menti ai bene intenzionati diri-genti liventini.

(1) Sfruttare la tradizione

(1) Struttare la tradizione Uno dei capitali intangibili, della Juventus e' la sua grande tradizione. Dal 1948 il suo nome a Melbourne e' sinonimo di tutto cio' che e' grande, memorabile e glorioso nel calcio italiano. I successi del passato non sono avvenuti per caso ma come risultato di layoro anpassipanto di una caso ma come risultato di lavoro appassionato di una generazione di dirigenti e gio-catori. Tutta gente che oggi non e' piu' tanto giovane e che non frequenta piu' assidua-mente l'ambiente bianconero. Gli anni che passano hanno avuto un certo peso su questa "diserzione", ma la mancanza del necessario rispetto ed un pochino di gratitudine da parte dei dirigenti che si sono susse-guiti negli anni hanno fatto al-lontanare tanti vecchi juventi-ni

ni. E' arrivato il momento di dare a questa gente il giustoriconoscimento, farli sentire a 
loro agio e benvenuti, ridare 
loro una iniezione di "bianconero". Andando in giro e 
sentire ex dirigenti e giocatori 
che parlano male del club non 
e' tanto simpatico, e' pur vero 
che ci sono sempre degli incontentabili, della gente che si 
sente vittima di Dio solo sa 
quali ingiustizie, ma la maga 
gior parre degli ex dirigenti e 
sempre in cuore il bene del 
club Vi sono una trentina di 
soci a vita che potrebbero 
avere piu' considerazione, 
come l'ammissione nella sala 
degli ospiti al campo, una letterina ogni tanto ad informarii 
delle attivita' del club una 
cartolina a Natale o a 
Capodanno. Vi sono tanti 
vecchi giocatori che giocavano 
con il cuore, senza una paga o 
altro compenso, che oggi meriterebbero delle considrazioni, speciali. Per un club, 
come lo e' per una nazione, gli
eroi del passato dovrebbero 
avere un posto di grande rilievo nella storia presente e 
futura del club. Con le dovute 
proporzioni relative all'importiava delle dura 
delle dura 
delle di Sabidussi, con 
la Susioni, il Sabidussi, con 
la 
storia d'Italia sono come 
ta 
pusioni, il Sabidussi, ci 
Bassi, 
Plateco, i Barbazza, i Penzo, 
i 
Viti, i Della Rocca (fra i giocatori) e i Borsari, gli Angerame, i Papaleco, i Pellegrini, 
Primavera, i Longo. i 
castellini, i Cilauro, i Mirabella (fra i dirigenti), e ci scusino i tanti altri che non 
abbiamo nominanto poiche' a 
nominanti tutti non basterebbe 
l'intero giornale. E ci sono, 
la 
caudar, nel tempi buoni e nel 
tempi cattivi ad 
E' la lunga e gloriosa tradi-

zione del club che lo ha salvato nei tempi difficili e che lo potra' fare grande di nuove adesso che ci sono tutte le premesse per un successo senza precedenti. I presenti dirigenti debbono capire il grande capitale che la tradizione, el agente che l'ha creata, rappresenta per la Juventus e cercare di stimolarlo con un semplice sistema che costa assolutamente niente: rispetto e considerazione.

(2) Amministrazione 'professionale

Nella lega nazionale la Ju-

(2) Amministrazione 'professionale
Nella lega nazionale la Juventus diventera' ancora più' difficile da amministrare per ben difficile da amministrare per le de difficile da amministrazione della squadra. Il club ha bisogno di un ufficio con del personale "full time", non c'e' scampo. Le mille piccole necessita' amministrative debbono essere a ssolte quo tidianamente, altrimenti si accumulano e causano il caos più completo. Il socio che non ricevuto a tessera deve poter telefonare in ufficio e chiarire l'errore all'istante, il giocatore cohe ha bisogno di qualcosa deve poter contare su del per succede al club; gli sponsors debono essere informata quotidianamente di quello che succede al club; gli sponsors debono essere curati perche' traggano beneficio dal loro investimento, la "ditti" deve funzionare a tutte le ore di tutti i giorni al massimo del-

traggano beneficio dal loro investimento, la "ditta" deve funzionare a tutte le ore di utiti i giorni al massimo del l'efficenza.

E' vero che la maggior parte dei dirigenti e' tutta gente che impiega molto tempo al servizio del club, ma purtroppo non basta. E' la goccia che scava la pietra de dei necessario avere il termono purtroppo non basta. E' la goccia che scava la pietra ed e' necessario avere il tempo quando e' necessario il che e' sempre) e non nei ritagli del tempo dagli affari. I dirigenti si accorgeranno anche che tralisciare le proprie attivital professionali e commerciali per correre al servizio del cilura a lungo tempo può cautani ess'', di pace in famiglia e di salute con le inevitabili dimissioni per non rovinarsi completamente.

Un direttore a tempo pieno può mandare avanti la baracca molto meglio ed allungare all'infinito il periodo di dirigenti. E' molto pericolosi diludersi che si possa mandare avanti un'azienda da quasi mezzo milione di dollari all'anno con personale volnatio e dal tempo molto limitato.

(3) Direzione tecnica

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(3) Direzione tecnica della squadra e' un fattore determinante, non solo per il presente, ma soprattuto per il futureo. Quest'anno s'e finalmente accettato il principio dell'altuministati sono victi damingi piorato rendimento della squadra. Ma quello che l'altuminato della squadra. Ma quello che l'altuminato del della squadra. Ma quello che l'altuminato della squadra. Ma quello che l'altuminato della squadra del suoi obblighi contrattuali, e' quello di lavorare per il futuro del club attirando giovani di talento e valorizzando il viviao giovanile. rizzando il vivaio giovanile. All'inizio della stagione l'al-

lenatore dovrebbe condurre dei provini per reclutare po-tenziali campioni (che siano pero' meglio di quelli che gia' si trovano nei vivai) poiche' le divisioni minori e i campionati si trovano nei vivai) poiche' le divissioni minori e i campionati giovanili sono pieni di potenziali Zinni; l'allenatore-capo dovrebbe ânche selezionare tutti gli- altri allenatori (dal suo asistente agli allengtori delle giovanili) e condurre programmi di specializzazione per loro in modo che ci sia "una Scuola" juventina, dovrebbe quindi tenerli d'occhio durante tutto l'anno e di tanto in tanto dovrebbe condurre "cliniche" per gli allenatori e per i giovani giocatori che egli dovrebbe imparare a conoscera personale egli dovrebbe quindi scegliere tutti i giovani piu' prodelle sessioni di allenamento specializzato per raffinare la tecnica di ognuno e per anunlare i diffetti che ognuno puo' avere.
L'allenatore dovrebbe anche

lare i difetti che ognuno puo' avere.
L'allenatore dovrebbe anche lavorare nelle varie scuolo medie della zona, per promuorere il calcio, per dare alla communità la sensazione che il club ha dei meriti comunitari che gli fanno maritare l'appoggio del comune e della comunità in generale.
E' ridicolo dire che e' impossibile avere un allenatore a tempo pieno con dei giocatori "part time". Di lavoro e di coordinamento en ne' tanto da fare a tutti i livelli del club ed un professionista capace pot

un professionista capace pot-rebbe rendere moltissimo al club lavorando tutti i pomerig-gi, tutte le sere e al sabato.

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tutte le sere e al sabato.

(4) L'importanza di investire Vestire

Nella lega nazionale l'importanza di investire, ed investire bene, sara' ancora più
determinante. Il successo della squadra e' essenziale per
il successo dell'intero club; quando si lavora i risultati
sono sempre molto migliori a
tutti i livelli se la squadra
vince. Lo spirito e' tutto diverso, il lavoro diventa un piacere, gli sponsors sono contenti,
la stampa da' più' risalto a
tutte le attivita del club e,
soprattutto gli spelttatori aumentano di numero e di attaccamento. Una Juventus che
si battesse fra le prime della taccamento. Una suventus che si battesse fra le prime della lega nazionale potrebbe con-tare su un minimo di 4-5 mila spettatori (\$20,000 d'incasso a spettatori (\$20,000 d'incasso a partita) e nelle partite di campanile come quelle con l'Hellas, il JUST e il Preston, il numero degli spettatori portebbe salire a lo 1-5 mila (\$40-60,000 d'incasso a partita); e con tutto questo seguito i tese-seramenti aumentaranno, la partecipazione a funzioni sociali aumentera" el i soldi pioveranno come manna dal cielo.

Pero'... non bisgna di-menticare che tutto dipende da

cielo.

Pero' non bisogna dimenticare che tutto dipende da
una squadra che vince e, anche
se non e' sempre facile mettere assime una squadra vincente, e' necessario fare qualsiasi sforzo finanziario per assicurarsi i giocatori chiave che
possono dare una certa garanzia di successo. Meglio
ancora se fra questi giocatori
chiave si potrebbe inserire un
fuoriclasse italiano, un Benetti

oun curino per esempio, che oltre alla bravura per far vincere le partite hanno anche la 
fama per far correre allo 
statio anche coloro che non 
vedono una partita da 20 anni. 
D'accordò, questa e' gente che 
costera' una piccola fortuna, 
ma sarebbero soldi ben spesi 
perche' rientrerebbero con gli 
interessi. Un Benetti, per 
esempio, da solo attirerebbe 
almeno 500 spettatori ni ni più: 
22,000 di incasso in più 'ogni 
partita che poi si moltiplicherebbero ancora nelle varie attività' del club) ed una squadra che avesse Benetti giocherebbe in un modo da attirare 
attre migliaia di spettatori in 
più:

altre migliaia di spettatori in piu'.

Queste non sono teorie, basti guardare al fulgido esempio di Vieri al Marconi. Ai suoi tempi il cliba avece un seguito enorme, non solo quando giocava in casa ma anche quando andava fuori, qui a Melbourne Vieri significava ger il Marconi un paio di migliaia di spettatori in piu' orni nartita. Natural-

significava ggr il Marconi un più ogni partita Naturali paio di migliaia di spettatori in più ogni partita Naturali mente la Juventus farebbe bene a raggiungere un accordo con altre squadre in modo che ogni marcorti un porti di marcorti di marcorti un porti un proti di marcorti di di pala di marcorti di talenti sgobolori che vanno a conquistare di palali, "maestri" che possono i solvere le partite con un controlo di marcorti di di controlo di partite con un corti di marcorti di di marcorti di pala di maestri di di pala di di pala di di maestri di di pala di di partite con un corti di marcorti di di maestri di di pala di di partite con un corti di marcorti di di partite con un corti di marcorti di marcorti di marcorti di di partite con un corti di marcorti di di marcorti di ma corrono e anziani che hanno esperienza ... es oprattutto ri-serve per la panchina. Durante un campionato ci sono in-fortuni, squallfiche, perdita di forma di alcuni giocatori e se la squadra manca di validi rin-calizi puo Vincere partite diffi-cili per poi andare a perdere partite facili e giocarsi il campionato (e la Juventus di quest'anno ne sa qualcosa). Se la Juventus ha intenzione di andare in lega nazionale per salvarsi con un "squadreti-

quest'anno ne sa qualcosa). Sei a Juventus ha intenzione di andare in lega nazionale per salvarsi con una "squadretta", allora farebbe meglio a rimanere in lega statale perche'non attirerebbe meglio a manere in lega statale perche'non attirerebbe molta più gente di adesso e le spese andrebbero alle stelle anche con an "squadretta". Il pubbico italiano e' numericamente grande e se essere generoso, ma non vuole mezzi termini: la Juventus deve essere una delle protagoniste del campionato. Sono finiti i giorni in cui la gente andava a vedere le partite anche per spirito nazionalistico; oggi va al campo solo per vedere del bel calcio. Per concludere, ritorniamo politica positiva di sviluppo di talenti locali, con una squadra capace di battersi per li campionato possibilimente con qualche gran nome del calcio italiano, con l'appoggio di tutti juventini vecchi e giovani (appoggio che bisogna meritaris), poò diventare una vera e propria miniera d'oro (e di successi) nella lega nazionale. Al contrario la partecipaziona il lega con una "squadretta", con un'amministrato di viventare una vera e propria miniera d'oro (e di successi) nella lega nazionale. Al contrario la partecipazione di voluntari bene interazione di voluntari bene interazione di voluntari bene interazione di voluntari detere la squadra, carebbe un grosso fallimento.

La scelta e' netta, non ci sono mezzi termini, non ci debono essere tentenamenti ne' misure di falso risparmio.

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# UGOSLOVENSKA

#### MAKEDONIJA IPAK KASNI

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Makedonija je prosle nedelje zasluzeno pobedila 
"plave" pred 5000 gledalaca na svom igralistu, ali 
pitali bi se sta bi bilo da je Joe Carroll iskoristio sansu 
u 63. minutu, koja je bila stopostotu, da se Izrazimo 
jezikom navijaca. Takvi se promasaji obicno skupo 
placaju, sto se i ovog puta dogodilo, jer je pet minuta 
kasnije Makedonija skoro bez sanse postigla pobedonosni gol, koji je povratio nadu za osvajanje (titule 
prvaka Nacionalne lige Australije. Medjutim, situacija na vrhu tabele nije ni izbilaz tako povoljna kao 
sto je bila pre mesec dana. Ispred Makedonije se 
nalaze tri kluba na celu tabele, pa je tesko pretpostaviti da sva tri mogu pretrpeti brodolom u zavrsnici takmicenja. Zahvaljujucil Frank Aroku, odnosno 
njegovom iskustvu i profesionalnom ophod-jenju, St. 
George je najzretiji kandidat za laskav naslov samplona Australija. Arbekotu no Nece ostlu, sie ne znaci 
da su Marconi i Brisbane City savakani zalogaji, 
Svdney City ima krupnije prepreke pred sobom, lako 
docekuje Necestalu u Sidneju (sto malo znaci jer 
uvek ima manje navijaca od protivnika), ali zato je 
gost Canbere City, koja je skoro nepobediva na svom 
terenu. Na papiru i South Melbourne utaban put do 
cilja, jer je gost Leiccharda I domacia Brisbane Lion-

Onaj ko ne poznaje cudi fudbala odmah bi, posle ove analtze, orpisao Makedoniju. Ali onaj, ko zeli za mali ulog da dobije veliku nagradu neka slobodno stavi novac na "crveno-crne", odnosno maestra Zarka Odzakova, koji zna i moze da promeni pravac vetra i sportske srece. Onaj ko se unapred preda, ne treba ni da pocne trku, a takvih igraca ne bi smelo da bude uMakedoniji, narocito posle tesko izvojevane, ali zlatne pobede nad JUSTom.

Ovaj, za vecinu gledalaca, Jugo derbi odigran je po divnom vremenu. Atmosfera je bila prava sportska. Prvo poluvreme pripalo je Makedoniji, a drugo "pjavima". Protivurecni su gol Zorana Ilioskog, koji nije priznat posle intervencije medjasnjeg sudije i jedanaesierac, koji je odglumio George McMillan.

jeuanaesterac, koji je odglumio George McMillan.
Stekao se utisak da je sudija pokazao na belu tacku da bi popravio prvu gresku kada je ponistio regularan gol. koji je majstorski pripremio Zarko Odzakov. Posle utakmice culi smo tri verzije, ZPrva, da je gol ponisten zbog ofsajda ima najmanje osnova. Ostale dve verzije (lopta je presla korner crtu i McMillan je igrao rukom) moze da potvrdi samo televizijski snimak. Zanimljivo je da su prvi gol JUSTa i drugi gol Makedonije postignuti u trenutku apsolutne nadnocnosti protivnika, tako da su delovali kao grom iz vedra neba.

Kada se sve izmeri na vagi, ipak je Makedonija bila zreliji tim, ali i sretniji. Odlucio je promasaj Joe Carrolla, koji je imao jos dve dobre prilike da poprat gresku, ali je oba puta sutirao visoko preko precke.

Igracima je najteze palo ponasanje trenera, koji prisvaja slast pobede, ali ne deli gorcinu poraza na isti nacin.

U nedelju 16. oktobra MAKEDONIJA docekuje na svom igralistu West Adelaide sto bi mogao biti dobar zalogaj, koji se ipak mora dobro sazvakati da bi se osigurala sva tri boda. Najteza je poslednja utakmica u Sidneju protiv Olympica, ali o tome treba govoriti sledece nedelje, kada ce situacija biti bistrija. JUST gostuje u Adelaidi, gde je vec dva puta savladao Adelaide City, pa sto ne bi treci put kada se u sastav vraca Gry McDowell jer je njegovo odsustvo bilo primetno protiv Makedonije.

## KONAC DELO KRASI

Tri kol pre kraja prvenstva Nacionalne lige Australije novinari su izabrali najbolje igrace, trenere i 
sudije u Viktoriji. Pored toga, sto je odlucivao broj a 
ne soj, zaboravilo se da svako delo konac krasi. Tri 
zadnja kola mogu doneti neocekivane promene. Onaj, 
ko u zavrsnici postigne najbolje rezultate zasluzuje 
oreol oko glave. U svakom slucaju Zarko Odzakov je 
bojli igrac nego Charlie Vankos, ali ipak je morao da 
se zadovolji utesnim drugim mestom.

#### SLATKA OSVETA

Tri godine uzastopce Croatia je zivela u senci Green

Gully Ajaksa, ali je prosle nedelje docekala slatki cas osvete. "'Crveni" su u finalu Kupa cetvorke glatko pobedili ljutog rivala sa 4:0. Na kraju je srusen tezak kompleks, koji se zvao Ajax. Croatia ima jos jednu sansu da potvrdi svoju superiornost nad vecitim riv-alom, a to je Dockerfy Kup, najstarije takmicenje u Australiji. U nedelju se igraju cevrtfinalne utakmice.

Australiji. U nedeju se igraju cevrtinalne utakmice. Program na Olympic Parku: Green Gully protiv Croydon Citya i Croatia protiv Morwell Falconsa. Program na Wembley Parku: Wilhelmina protiv Dovetona i Box Hill protiv Fawknera. Trener Faw-knera Ceda Cirkovica ocekuje od svojih momaka uspeh, koji se nije ostvario u prvenstvu, iako kaze da je zadovoljan sa osmim mestom.

#### "PLAVI" IZ SPRINGVALA U FINALU

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U polufinlu Provizionalnog kupa Springvale United
(Bratstvo) Zedinstvo) uspeo ja da savalda najjaceg
protivnika Cheltenham sa 4:0 (1:0). Protivnik nije
imao ni jednu sansu, ali navalnim igracima Springvala dugo je trebalo da savladaju tremu i uzbudjenje.
Posto je tri puta za prvih pola sata najbolji strelac
Milan Stojilovic proigrao tri lepe sanse, uspeo je u 39.
minutu da nacne mrezu borbenog protivnika, koj je
imao snaznu podrsku brojnih navijaca. Milan Stojilovic
je sasvim dotukao protivnika kad je u 48. minutu
postigao majstorski drugi gol, skoro iz mrtvog ugla.
Najlepsi goj je treci u 64. minutu, a strelac je Dragoslav Jelicic sa 30 metara. Seriju golova zavrsio je
opet Dragoslav Jelicic u 84. minutu. Bratstvo Jedinstvo je nastupilo bez najboljeg navalnog igraca Milenaka Culibrka, koji zbog povrede ne igra vec mesec
dana Ipak je navijanjem uspeo da podeli radost
pobede sa svojim drugovima. Sastav Springvala
United 71. minura), Petar Dekic. Hitko Kalm, Dragan
Janjic, Nineslav Sipici, Dragoslav Jelicic, Marin
Basic, Steven Janjic (Predrag Cvek od 65. minuta),
Mi. an Stojilovic, Pertko Tomic. Tesko je izdvojiti
najboljeg igraca, ali ipak zasluzuju posebnu pohvalu
oba strelca, neumorni Marin Basic i iskusni Dragan
Janjic.

U subotu 15. oktobra Springvale United sastaje se u finalu sa Mordialoc Clarindom na istom igralistu, gde je ubedljivo pobedjen Cheltenham.

#### TURNIR VOLIVODINE

Prosle nedelje odigran je prvi deo tradicionalnog turnira Altone United/Vojvodine, koji je privukao veliki broj gledalaca na Paisley Reserve u North Altoni. Zbog preterane osetljivosti (ali najvise i umora) turnir su napustili igraci Bratstva/Jedinstva sto je ostavilo tezak utisak na sve prisutne i razocaralo organizatora.

U prvom kolu postignuti su sledeci rezultati: Carlton/MLADOST — Mossfiel Rangers 1:0 (0:0). Altona/Vojvodina — Dallas City 2:0 (0:0). Strelci: Adam Miller i Slobodan Dimitrijevski.

Lalor/SLOGA — Carlton/MLADOST 2:1 (0:0).
Altona/VOJVODINA — Springvale United 3:3 (2:0). Strelci za Vojvodinu Vaclav Pitra, Adam Miller, Slobodan Dimitrijevski. Vaclav Pitra jgrao je prvu utakmicu po povratku iz Jugoslavuje, odakle je doneo nove dresove, poklon novosadske Vojvodine svome imenjaku iz Melburna.

Siedecu utakmicu Lalor/SLOGA je dobila sa 3:0 bez borbe, jer je Mossfiel Rangers napustio turnir.

borbe, Jer Je Mossier Ranges impose to the Kod stanja 1.9 az Dallas City, rener Springvale United povukao je svoje igrace zbog navodne grube igre protivnika. U stvari, oba tima igrala su ostro i muski, jedino su igraci Springvale Uniteda bili umorni od jucerasnjeg susreta u polufinalu Provizionalnog kupa. Iako je bio opravdan strah da se pred finale moze povrediti neki igrac, ipak napustanje turnira ne moze se nikako opravdati.

Turnir se ipak nastavlja u nedelju 16. oktobra na Paisley Reserve.

U prvom polufinalu, koje pocinje u 9 izjutra, sastaju se Lalor/SLOGA i Dallas City, a zatim igraju Altona/-VOJVODINA i Carlton/MLADOST.

Finale ce se odigrati posle rucka i dobrog odmora istoga dana po podne. Porazeni polufinalisti igrace predigru za trece mesto.

#### TURNIR CRVENE ZVEZDE

U subotu 15. oktobra i nedelju 16. oktobra odrzace se turnir amaterskog kluba crvene zvezde, na koji su pozvani jugoslovenski klub West Wodonga, FK Bosna iz Melburna i drugi tim JUSTa. Turnir pocinje u i po podne oba dana. Kantina sa rostiljem bice dobro snabdevena sa hranom i picem.

Crvena zvezda i Bosna bili su prosle nedelje u Ade-laidi na turniru JASKa, ali nismo u mogucnosti da vas obavestimo kako su prosli, jer nismo dobili izvestaj do zakljucenja ovog broja "Soccer Actiona".

Sledeci turnir jugoslovenskih klubova odrzace se u eelongu 6. i 6. novembra na igralistu u Hendy Stree-

#### JUNIORSKI TURNIR

Dvodnevni juniorski turnir za pehare mesarnice "Europa" iz Newporta, privukao je veliki broj gle-dalaca, koji su uzivali u lepoj igri buducih fudbalskih asova lako je Northern United neopravdano otkazao ucesce u zadnji cas, organizatori su uspeli da odrze standard turnira na najvecoj visini. Stekli su pored toga i dobro iskustvo o pravim i laznim prijateljima za buduce turnire i sportske festivale.

Od cetiri pehara, juniori JUSTa nisu osvojili i jedan, ali su sportski primili poraze od boljih timova

U finalu ispod 108 godina Springvale United (Bratstvo/Jedinstvo) pobedio je JUSTa sa 3:1 (2:0) Strekci: Chein Le 2 i Milan Mihajlovic za Springvale, Damir Gnjidic za JUST.

U finalu ispod 11 godina Altona Gate/VARDAR po-bedio je JUST sa 2.0 (2.0). Ovaj tim Vardara sa uspe-hom trenira Stefo Trajkovski, bivsi igrac Pre-ston/Makedonije.

U finalu ispod 12 godina Springvale United pobedio JUSTa sa 2z:0 (1:0). Strelci: Tai Tran i Claudio

U finalu ispod 13 godina Altona Gate/VARDAR sav-ladala je JUSTa sa 4:0 (2:0).

U JUSTovoj istoriji nedelja 9. oktobra bice obelezena crnim slovima, jer su toga dana "plavi" pretrpeli sest poraza. Pored 4 gore pomenuta poraza u juni8orskim finalima, izgubio je i prvi tim JUSTa od Makedonije (sto smo opisali na pocetku ovog izvestaja), a tim ispod 15 godina porazen je u finalu grckog kupa od Helasa sa 1.0 na Middle Parku. Ipak. "plavi" su na svim ovim utakmicama osvetlali obraz sportskim ponasanjem i lepom igrom, ali nisu krivi sto im je toga dana sportska sreca potpuno okrenula ledja.

# WORLD SOCCER

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#### Satrustequi

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Scotland outplayed and outclased Uruguay with their 2-0 win at Hampdan Park. The South Americans who have lost their way in world soccar paraded all their ugliness. Frank McGarvey and Cetic striker was stretchered off and required stitches while Barrios was sent off for tripping the English referee and defander Accvedo was booked. Sociland's Paul McStay and Neele Cooper only recently playe for the national youth team.

#### Iceland star

Rangers, Celtic and Aberdeen are all reported to be chasing Iceland's top youth player — 16-year-old Sigi Johnsson who played for the Akranes club.

### Morena

#### Watford

Watford which recently paid out a six-figure fee for Cambridge United's glant Scottish striker George Reilly, has forked out another \$200,00 for Walsall's 18-year-old England Youth International Lee Sinnott. And Etton John's side is poised to buy Lincoln City's 24-year-old scoring midfielder Glann Cockrill.

#### Italy World Cup

I understood that Italy has al-ready been given the nod of ap-proval to host the 1990 World Cup finals. It only has to be rub-ber-stamped for official approv-

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## EINAI NTPORH TOYE KAI NA RAPAITHOOYN

Την περασμένη Παρασκευή στό CITY - OVER-SEAS CLUB στό WINDSOR οἱ άθλητικογράφοι τής Μελβούρνης και γενικά τής Βικτώριας (ΑΞΡΑ),φήφισαν τόν καλύτερο προπονητή,τόν καλύτερο διαιτητή και τούς πιό καλούς παί **ΚΤΕ**ς ΥΙά τό 1983.

ντες για το 170). Όπως γνωρίζουμε οί άνθρωποι πού μέτρησαν τούς ψήφους(είναι άπό τό Δ.Συμβούλιο τής A.S.P.Α καί μάλιστα έλληνες)δέν έκαναν ουσικά λάθος στό μέτρημα άλλά έκαναν ένα πιό χοντρό λάθος πού σίγουρα δέν θά περά σει άπαρατήρητο.

#### KAI KATI AKOMA

Πρίν μερικά χρόνια δταν ίδρύθηκε ή ASPA Βρέθηκαν τότε όυδ - τρείς έλληνες άθλητι-κογράφοι οί όποίοι έκαναν παράπονα καί έσ κιζαν τά ίματιά τους παραπονούμενοι ότι κακώς δέν ήταν κι' αύτοί ή κάποιος έλληνας μέσα στό Δ. Συμβούλιο.

κατδοθωσαν λοιπόν και μπήκαν γωρίς φυσικά νά δούμε καί καμμιά προκοπή καί μάλλου τά πράγματα χειροτέρεφαν άπό όλες τίς πλευ ρές με πολλά κακά γιά τά όποία χρειάζονται άρκετές σελίδες γιά νά τά άναφέρουμε-αύτά τουλάχιστον πού έκαναν οί... "δικοί μας". Πάντως ή τελευταία αθτή πράγη τους νουίζουμε ότι πρέπει νά είναι καί ή αίτία γιά τήν όποία άν έχουν φιλότιμο νά άποσυρΑούν άπό τό Δ. Συμβούλιο τής ASPA.

#### ΑΥΤΟΙ ΠΟΥ ΠΡΩΤΕΥΣΑΝ

καλύτερος προπονητής: Πήτερ 'Ολλερτον άπό

Καλύτερος διαιτητής:Κρίς Μπάμπριτζ Ενώ τήν 2η θέση πήρε δ έλληνας κ.Σάμ Ζούμας ό όποι ος δέν ήταν στήν Έθνική κατηγορία άπό τήν άρχή τού πρωταθλήματος. Καλύτερος παίκτης κάτω τών 2Ι: Κόν 'Όπασί-

νας τού Πρέστου. Καλότερος παίκτης: Ισάρλυ Γιάγκος τού Μέγα. Τέλος τό BILL FLEMING τό κέρδισε ό Πώλ Αι-

ούης τού Γκρήν Γκάλλυ. Επόνσορ γιά τό έπαθλο τού καλύτερου προπο unth htav to SOCCER ACTION.

'Άν καί του δόθηκαν κάπως άργά παιγνίδια τής 'Βθνικής Κατηγορίας του έλληνα ρεφερύ κ.Σάμ Ζούμα, έν τούτοις κατόρθωσε νά φανεί με τή σωστή σφυρίκτρα του καί να βγεί δ δεύτερος καλύτερος διαιτητής άπό τούς άθ-

λητικογράφους στή Βικτώρια. 'Από τή σκοπιά μας τον συγχαίρουμε καί εύ χόμεθα τού χρόνου νά του δούμε άγκαλιά μέ τό πρώτο έπαθλο.

#### CONGRATULATIONS TO V.S.F

Παρά τίς δυσχολίες πού άντιμετωπίζει ή Βικτωριανή 'Ομοσπονδία Ποδοσφαίρου μέ τήν ελλειφη διαιτητών, έντούτοις κατάφερε καί φέτος νά πετύχει στό έργο της καί νά μήν άφήσει τίς δμάδες πού είναι στή δυναμή

της μέ παράπονα. Πράγματι φέτος δύσκολα άκούσαμε παράγο τες των δυάδων μας πού να έίχαν παράπονα άπό τίς σφυρίκτρες των διαιτητών. 'Αντίθετα όλοι σχεδόν έμειναν ένθουσιασμέ

νοι άπό τούς άντικειμενικούς διαιτητές πού

Ένας άπδ αύτούς δ πρόεδρος τής πρω ριας και άήττητης στό πρωτάθλημα τής Α΄κα τηγορίας τού Προβίζιοναλ Δόζας Γιάρραβιλ κ.Δ. Άμανατίδης μάς είπε:" Είμαι δποχρεωμέ νος δημόσια να εθχαριστήσω τό V.S.F γιατί σε όλα μας τα παιγνίδια οί διαιτητές πού είχαμε ήταν άριστοι".

ειχαικ ηταν αριστοι... Σε γενικές γραμμές προσέξαμε ότι στά περισ σότερα ντέρμπυ όλων τών κατηγοριών οί διαι τητές πού είχαν σταλεί ήταν άπό μεγάλες κα τηγορίες κάτι που δέν άφηνε περιθώρια γιά

συζητήσεις. 'Από τήν σχοπιά μας θά θέλαμε να πούμε ένα Μπράβο στόν γραμματέα τής 'Ομοσπονδίας κ.

G. WALLACE δ δποίος Εργάσθηκε καί φέτος σκλη ρά καί σωστά πρός όλες τίς κατευθύνσεις. Καί πάλι συγχαρητήρια.

## ΑΤΥΧΉΣΕ Ο ΣΠΎΡΟΣ ΝΑΚΌΣ

\*Ας φύγουμε όμως λίγο άπό τόν ποδοσφαιρικό μας κόσμο καί άς δούμε τόν Μαραθώνιο τού"ΒΙG Μ" πού έγινε τήν περασμένη Κυριακή μέ μεγάλη έπιτυχία και στόν όποιο έλαβε μέρος δ μαραθω νοδρόμος μας Σπόρος Νάκος δ όποιος ήλθε άπό τήν Έλλάδα μέ πρωτοβουλία τού προέδρου τού Έλληνικού Φεστιβάλ κ.Σπύρου Ρομποτή καθώς καί τής έφημερίδας "Νέος Κόσμος".

'Ο συμπαθής Επύρος τελικά τερμάτισε δωδέκα

τος γιατί άτόχησε. Ευγκεκριμένα καί ένω ήταν στήν 4η θέση λί γα χιλιόμετρα πρίν άπό τόν τερματισμό, τόν κτόπησαν τά παπούτσια του μέ άποτέλεσμα νά σκιστούν τά δάκτυλα τού ποδιού του.



bv Manos Milios

Καί νά σκεοθείτε ότι με τά παπούτσια αύτά έχω κάνει τό άτομικό μου ρεκόρ".

Από την στήλη μας πάντως συγχαίρουμε τόν έλληνα μαραθωνοδρόμο γιά την φιλότιμη προσ-παθειά του καθώς και τούς άνθρώπους πού ένη ργησαν νά τόν φέρουν στήν διαργάνωση αύτή.

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